

Israel plan to defuse the tension

From GEOFFREY D. PAUL,
Jerusalem

Israel may give a new airing to plans for thinning out the Canal. The idea was first mooted by the Minister, Mr Moshe Dayan, last November and then, apparently because of American opposition, it was dropped. Mr Dayan indicates that he now thinks that the Egyptian appeal to the Egyptians, with Israel possibly making

for concession of not re- them to reduce the number ops within their own territory.

Such an interim solution—and Sadat has indicated that he is not adverse to getting the Canal open without a final settlement—would have the merit from Israel's view point of leaving open in negotiation the question of a major withdrawal from Sinai.

Just what the process of thinning out would involve, the distance by which withdrawal would be made and whether a token force would be left on the east bank of the Canal, is not yet clear.

Mr Dayan confirmed in the Knesset on Tuesday what he has already said a number of times in private: If the choice were to be between an Israeli presence at Sharm el Sheikh without settlement, or settlement without this presence, then he would prefer the former.

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This is something on which almost all the Cabinet agrees, and goes hand-in-hand with a land link between Sharm and Elath, Israel's southernmost port.

Israel will not bend under any American pressure to abandon her formula of no total withdrawal from all occupied territory.

Conferences among foreign observers and there are plenty of them—believe that refutation of the Dayan plan for the Canal may in fact be an attempt to get the United States to take the heat off.

By threatening a separate deal which would get the Canal reopened in the Russian fleet, Israel may be able to persuade Washington to loosen the screws—according to this interpretation of Israel's purpose.

major European maritime



President of Israel, Mr Zalman Shazar, with President Nixon at the White House on Monday. Story on back page.



Steps to freedom. Mr and Mrs Gilbert Katz and their son, Haim, in London en route to Israel from the Soviet Union. They missed their aircraft in Moscow because of harassment by Soviet officials. Interview, page 8.

Elan to see Sir Alec

Jewish Chronicle Foreign Staff

Mr Abba Eban, the Israeli Foreign Minister, is to reach London, Washington and New York next week.

Next Wednesday he will see the US Secretary of State, Mr William Rogers, and may also have talks with President Nixon. He also hopes to see the UN peace envoy, Mr Gunnar Jarring.

In London Mr Eban is scheduled to meet the Foreign Secretary, Sir Alec Douglas-Home, with whom he is expected to raise the latter's recent speech on the Middle East, which has given offence in Israel.

On the trot

From our Correspondent
Jerusalem

Israel is to raise and train reconnaissance units. Under an agreement reached by the Ministry of Agriculture with British and West German companies, foals will be sent to Israel for this purpose and then returned to Europe to race.

Grooms, stable-boys and other staff will be Israeli and the managers foreign.

It is also planned at some future date to establish racetracks in Israel.

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'No more pogroms'

Jewish Chronicle Foreign Staff

The Times of Israel's pogroms and Stalin's pogroms, when our parents would perish without defending themselves, are over," 17 Soviet Jews declared in a letter last week.

The group, who have applied for exit visas for Israel, sent the letter to Mr Nikolai Shchelokov, the head of the Soviet Ministry of the Interior, complaining of harassment by "unidentified people" who were hounding them and resorting to violence.

The 17 signatories said they had also received anonymous threatening letters. They enclosed copies with their letter to the official and also passed them on to Western correspondents in Moscow.

Fifty young Jews, mostly students, members of the Front for the Liberation of Soviet Jewry, occupied the office of Tass, the Soviet news agency in London on Wednesday night. They sent messages to the agency's telex machine to the Soviet leaders, asking what had happened to the Jews who had staged sit-ins in Moscow and Riga on Wednesday, demanding permission to leave for Israel. When the police arrived, the students left peacefully.

Many Moscow homes have been the target of threatening telephone calls and loud knocks on the door, the letter said. "We demand that effective measures be taken to stop such provocations, no matter what their source is. Otherwise we will be compelled to defend our lives and human dignity ourselves."

On Wednesday evening over 100 Jews who had staged a "sit-in" at the reception office of the Soviet Parliament in Moscow were evicted by a large force of police. When told force could be used if necessary they left quietly.

As far as is known, none of them was arrested.

The sit-in was started by 57 Riga Jews who came to present a petition to President Podgorny and Premier Kosygin asking them to grant their long-standing applications for exit visas to Israel.

Forty-five Jews from Vilna and Kounas (Kovno) are reported to have submitted a similar petition to the Communist Party central committee.

A moving letter has been written by 10-year-old Eva Meisels from the Ukraine to her father in Israel, threatening to commit suicide if she cannot join him and her sister.

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ISRAEL AND MIDDLE EAST

Eban: No surrender to Cairo ultimatum

From our Correspondent Jerusalem

Stung by U Thant's allegation that Israel's reply to the UN special Middle East envoy, Mr Gunnar Jarring, had not been positive, the Israeli Foreign Minister, Mr Abba Eban, on Sunday night released the full text of Israel's latest message to the Egyptian through Mr Jarring. (See columns 4 and 5.)

Mr Eban told a news conference that there was absolutely no foundation for comparing Israel's reply unfavourably with Egypt's. It "utterly escapes our understanding" why this allegation should have been made, he declared.

What the Egyptians seem to be demanding, said the Foreign Minister, was Israel's unconditional surrender to their ultimatum, while what Israel was asking for was unconditional negotiations.

As Israel saw it, "the task is to ensure security and peace and not to reconstruct situations which have led to war."

Israel accepted the (November, 1967) resolution of the Security Council and co-operated with Mr Jarring on the clear understanding and assurance that the resolution did not call for evacuation of all the territories—that the omission of the words "all the territories" was deliberate, Mr Eban said.

"You can therefore understand the attitude created when Israel is presented with documents and asked to sign them on the dotted line."

"There is a misunderstanding. Israel must be an active partner and not a passive object of the negotiating process."

"The position is not that Egypt or international representatives have a monopoly of the right to suggest formulations and that Israel has only one solitary right, which is to put its signature blindly on one or other of the documents presented to it."

"Our lives, our future, our survival are at stake in this peace agreement and we must insist on

to release the whole of her latest communication.

In the course of his press conference, Mr Eban revealed that on at least two occasions during the past two months, Egypt "has not wished to take Israeli documents into its hands until any hint that Israel was communicating even indirectly with Cairo had been eliminated."

Egypt's reply

From our Correspondent United Nations

Following Israel's example, Egypt has made public her reply to Mr Jarring's list of questions addressed to both sides, and has also given selected correspondents details of the questions which have not hitherto been published.

According to the Egyptian version, Mr Jarring asked Israel if she would withdraw to the old British mandatory border between Palestine and Egypt (this included the Gaza Strip within Palestine), to return for demilitarised zones, a security arrangement at Sharm el Sheikh—including a United Nations force there—and guarantees of free passage for Israeli shipping through the Straits of Tiran and the Suez Canal.

From Egypt he asked for a commitment "to enter into a peace agreement with Israel." This would include an assurance of the ending of belligerency; recognition of each other's independence and right to live in peace "within secure and recognised borders," and non-interference in domestic affairs.

Egypt, in her reply, accepted all this, but hedged it with a demand for the withdrawal "of all forces from Sinai and the Gaza Strip" (which went beyond Mr Jarring's suggestion) and a "just settlement" of the refugee problem.

"When Israel gives these commitments, Egypt will be ready to enter into a peace agreement with Israel containing all the aforementioned obligations," the reply said.

Then, in the following paragraph, Egypt made a peace agreement contingent on Israeli withdrawal "from all territories occupied" in the Six-Day War.



Arabs working on a construction site at Ramat Eshkal in the north of Jerusalem. Building plans here and elsewhere in the city have been criticised by some of Israel's friends, as well as by Russia and Arab states.

Israel's forces ready

From our Correspondent Jerusalem

With Egypt's armed forces heavily concentrated in the area between Cairo and the Suez Canal, deployed for immediate offensive action and placed in a state of "utmost preparedness," Israeli forces have been placed in a matching state of high alert.

The past seven months of the ceasefire agreed in June 1967, now abrogated by the Egyptians but not by Israel, which continues to observe it—have shown that the Egyptian forces are highly disciplined.

There have been no cases in which fire has been opened accidentally, as if the Egyptians do open fire now that Egypt has refused to renew the ceasefire, the Israelis are likely to interpret it as a premeditated act of warfare.

Egyptian troops across the Canal are following what an authoritative source in Jerusalem described on Tuesday morning as "a very cautious routine." They are no longer moving about freely and do not emerge into the open without careful precautions.

They are reported to have dismantled forward observation posts, presumably to prevent their being shelling targets.

There seems to be no immediate expectation in Israeli circles of a large-scale resumption of warfare and the public mood—as shown in the uninhibited Purlin celebrations—reflects this.

But there is appreciation of the fact that, under the condition of "non-ceasefire" proclaimed by

30 Gaza families sent into Sinai exile

From our Correspondent Jerusalem

Since mid-January, Israel has banished 30 families (totalling about 160 people) of wanted terrorists from Gaza to an abandoned port on the west coast of the Sinai Peninsula.

They are in Abu Zneima, 60 miles south of Suez and not far north of the Abu Rodels oilfield.

Abu Zneima was the port from which, before 1967, the Egyptians shipped large quantities of manganese mined in Sinai, and tools of the mineral are still lying on the jetties there.

The banishments were ordered by military decree, to deprive terrorists of the information, money and shelter which might be provided by their families.

Israel is providing food and all material services for the exiled families and has also offered work and schooling, which was refused.

As a rule, no family is banished unless there is a grown-up male with them, so as not to offend Moslem tradition. When a wanted family head is either caught, killed or known to be in another Arab country, his relatives are allowed to return to their original homes.

Homage paid to heroes

From our Correspondent Jerusalem

On Thursday of last week, Adar 7, the anniversary of the death of Moses, whose place of burial is not known, Israel paid homage to the memory of 253 of her men who died on active service and whose graves are likewise unknown.

A memorial service in Mount Herzl military cemetery here was attended by Mrs Golda Meir, the Prime Minister; Mr Moshe Dayan, the Defence Minister; and other Cabinet Ministers, Israel Defence Forces chiefs and members of the bereaved families.

Sixty-nine men died in the mystery sinking of the Israeli submarine, Dakar, in the eastern Mediterranean three years ago and 10 men were never found after an Egyptian missile-ship sank the Israeli destroyer, Eilat, in October, 1967.

Members of Hagana and other underground organisations are included, as well as three members of the security services, among them Elie Cohen, who was hanged in Damascus in May, 1965. The two remaining men and their tasks have not been named.

During the service, conducted by Major-General Shlomo Goren, the Chief Rabbi of the Israeli Defence Forces, a memorial to the Dohar sailors was unveiled by the mother of the submarine's captain.

MiGs over Golan

Jerusalem

Two Syrian MiG-21 jet fighters flew over Israeli positions on the Golan Heights on Saturday, apparently on an aerial reconnaissance mission.

This was the first such incident reported since the Syrian front since the ceasefire, which expired on Sunday, began seven months ago.—(Reuters)

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Dr. A. Sabin, president of the Weizmann Institute, presents a diploma to an Israeli Arab doctor for his work in cancer research.

Small satisfaction for Arab terrorists

From our Correspondent Jerusalem

Arab terrorists got the worst of it in two week-end encounters with Israeli patrols. Two were killed on Friday night in a clash in the Jordan Valley just north of the Nahal settlement of Argoman. Another was killed in an incident on the Golan Heights, north of Kuneitra. In neither case were there any Israeli casualties.

Two Arab residents of the Sinai town of Rafah were wounded on Sunday morning when a grenade was thrown in a street there.

Arab terrorists from Jordan fired at an Israeli patrol in the Jordan Valley just south of the Sea of Galilee, on Saturday. The attack was made near Shahr Hagolan village. There were no casualties.

According to reports from Amman, terrorists claim to have killed an Israeli intelligence officer of Polish origin, who had organised networks of Arab informers and allegedly taken part in torturing Arab detainees during interrogation.

A terrorist spokesman named the officer as Lieutenant Ilan Elie, 28, and said he was killed in Tel Aviv on Wednesday of last week.

On Sunday a number of Russian-made Katyusha rockets were fired from Syrian territory at the Israeli settlement of Meron, in the Golan Heights. No casualties were caused.

There were two serious incidents in Sinai towards the end of last week. On Thursday night, four soldiers, including a girl, were wounded when three hand-grenades

'No need to escape' for British Jews

From our Correspondent Jerusalem

There is not much purpose in speaking in Anglo-Jewry about emigration to Israel in apocalyptic terms. They have no need to escape. Indeed, disaster and weakness cannot be imagined as falling on American or British Jewry without coming an Israel as well.

These views were put forward in a message from Mr Abba Eban, the Israeli Foreign Minister, to the 20th annual conference of Hithachut Olai Britannia, the association of British settlers, in Tel Aviv last week. Mr Eban is its honorary president.

However, he confessed to disappointment that the stream of British immigrants—2,000 last year—was not yet the torrent which the challenge of Israel might have been expected to draw forth.

New hope for handicapped

From our Correspondent Jerusalem

Thirty-seven blind and handicapped Israelis, including two army officers blinded as the result of wounds, have been trained to operate automatic data processing machines.

They were trained under a special research programme for people with secondary and higher education, conducted by the Ministry of Social Welfare.

The American Department of Health, Education and Welfare provided a grant for the programme, which was run in co-operation with the IBSI organisation and the Jewish Institute for the Blind.

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Text of Israel's reply for Egypt

Israel views favourably the expression by Egypt of its readiness to enter into a peace agreement with Israel and reiterates that it is prepared for meaningful negotiations on all subjects relevant to a peace agreement between the two countries.

The Government of Israel wishes to state that the peace agreement to be concluded between Israel and Egypt should—inter alia—include the provisions set out below.

Israel would give undertakings covering the following:

Declared and explicit decision to regard the conflict between Israel and Egypt as finally ended, and termination of all claims and states of war and acts of hostility or belligerency between Israel and Egypt.

Respect for and acknowledgement of the sovereignty, territorial integrity and political independence of Egypt.

Respect for and acknowledgement of the right of Egypt to live in peace within secure and recognised boundaries.

Withdrawal of Israeli armed forces from the Sinai-Egypt ceasefire line to the secure, recognised and agreed boundaries to be established in the peace agreement. Israel will not withdraw to the pre-June 5, 1967, lines.

In the matter of refugees and the claims of both parties to this connection, Israel is prepared to negotiate with the Governments directly involved on:

The payment of compensation for abandoned lands and property; participation in the planning and rehabilitation of the refugees in the region.

Once the obligations of the parties towards the settlement of the refugee issue have been agreed, neither party shall be under claims from the other inconsistent with its sovereignty.

The responsibility for ensuring that no warlike act or act of violence, by any organisation, group or individual originates from or is committed in the territory of Israel towards the territory of Egypt, or property of Egypt.

Non-interference in the domestic affairs of Egypt.

Non-participation by Israel in the

prohibition of stationing of troops or other parties which maintain a state of belligerency against Egypt.

Egypt's undertakings in the peace agreement with Israel would include:

Declared and explicit decision to regard the conflict between Egypt and Israel as finally ended and termination of all claims and states of war and acts of hostility or belligerency between Egypt and Israel.

Respect for and acknowledgement of the right of Israel's sovereignty, territorial integrity and the political independence of Israel.

Respect for and acknowledgement of the right of Israel to live in peace within secure and recognised boundaries to be determined in the agreement.

The responsibility for ensuring no warlike act, act of violence by any organisation, group or individual originates from or is committed in the territory of Egypt against the population, armed forces or property of Israel.

Non-interference in the domestic affairs of Israel.

As an explicit undertaking to guarantee free passage for Israeli ships, cargoes through the Suez Canal.

Termination of economic warfare in all its manifestations, including boycott and interference in normal international relations with Israel.

Non-participation by Egypt in the alliance against Israel and the prohibition of stationing of troops or other parties which maintain a state of belligerency against Israel.

Egypt and Israel should enter into a peace agreement with each other to be expressed in a treaty in accordance with international law and procedure containing the above undertakings.

The Government of Israel believes that now that Egypt has expressed its willingness to enter into a peace agreement with Israel, and both parties have accepted their basic positions, should now pursue their negotiations in a detailed and careful manner without prior conditions, so cover all the points listed in respective documents, with a view to concluding a peace agreement.

Mr Moro in Israel

Understanding from Moro

From our Correspondent Jerusalem

Colra

One more try at unity

The Palestine National Council (the terrorist "Parliament") decided at its meeting here this week to merge all terrorist forces under one military command.

It will be formed at the end of a three-month transitional period, during which a new 150-member national council is to be appointed.

The new command is to be responsible for increasing terrorist action against Israel, co-ordinating it and standardising military equipment and training.—(Reuters)

Moon man gives Haifa talk

From our Correspondent Jerusalem

Jerusalem

The American astronaut, Mr James McDivitt, was among 700 delegates, including 10 top foreign experts, who attended Israel's 18th annual conference on aviation and astronautics, last week.

They learnt from Mr Shimon Peres, the Communications Minister, that Israel now had 171 licensed aircraft, operated by 17 companies, and an aircraft industry which employed 20,000 people.

Technical conference sessions took place at the Technion, where Mr McDivitt lectured on the Apollo lunar landing programme.

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OUR CORRESPONDENTS' REPORT

ISRAEL'S FOREIGN indebtedness amounts to £470 for each man, woman and child in the country. The trade gap last year totalled nearly £625 million. Exports brought in just over this sum, with imports costing a little under £1,250 million.

ORMAT TURBINES is a new Israeli factory which will produce electric turbo-generators for telecommunications stations in countries lacking electric power networks. It will also develop a mini-turbo generator with enclosed energy provided by the French Atomic Energy Commission.

THE ISRAEL MEILMAN LIBRARY of the Diaspora Research Institute was dedicated at Tel Aviv University on Sunday. The library contains 25,000 volumes of Judaica, including fifteenth and sixteenth-century first editions.

THE LARGEST-EVER single export contract—for \$40 million (about £10.1 million) worth of tyres to the United States over the next five years—was signed in Jerusalem last week. The Alliance plant, which will manufacture the tyres, expects its production to reach some £7 million this year and up to £40 million within six years.

THE TIMNA COPPER mines are to build an international metal processing centre in co-operation with foreign mining companies.

MR SIDNEY SPIVAK, 42, has been elected leader of the Canadian Progressive Conservative Party in Manitoba. Both Opposition parties in the province now have Jewish leaders, the other being Mr I. H. (Izzy) Asper, of the Liberals. There are three Jewish members in the ruling New Democratic Party Cabinet.

A PROTEST MEETING against Italian antisemitism and the desecration of the old Jewish cemetery in Leghorn was held in Rome.

AN INSTITUTE for the study of Jewish culture in Eastern Europe has been founded in Paris.

MR ARTHUR GOLDBERG, former US Supreme Court Justice and US representative at the United Nations, has been appointed chairman of the ad hoc Committee on the Human Rights and Genocide Treaty. Fifty-two American religious and civic groups are represented on the committee, which is dedicated to securing US ratification of these treaties.

FORMER SS Captain Friedrich Paulus, 64, has been charged in Hamburg with responsibility for the murder of some 200 Polish citizens in the Lublin area of Poland in 1940. Former SS group leader Anton Binner, 64, Paulus's superior, collapsed a few days before proceedings opened and was declared unfit to stand trial.

35 GERMAN JUDGES and lawyers took part in a two-week study tour of Israel sponsored by the Bonn Ministry of the Interior.

"HUMAN RACES — human rights" is the motto of this year's Brotherhood Week in West Germany between March 21 and 28.

A PROTOCOL for the renewal of their trade agreement has been signed between France and Israel. It calls for a strengthening of economic and commercial relations.

A HISTORY of the Prague synagogue has been published in English and Czech by the Odeon publishing house in the Czech capital. The authors are Jan Herman and Milada Vilukova.

THE ISRAELI KIBBUZ Choir, conducted by Avner Itai and Yoel Tubori, is touring West Germany, Switzerland and Austria.

THE RUBER-ROSENZWEIG medal, annually awarded during West Germany's Brotherhood Week, has been awarded to Bishop Kurt Seifert, of West Berlin, the Evangelical Church leader, for his efforts for "better understanding between the Churches and Israel as a Jewish State and a religion."



"The night of dancing elements" at this year's Israeli Fashion Week in Tel Aviv was a novel way of highlighting the progress of Israel's jewellery industry

A biting story

From our Correspondent Jerusalem

Interrogators attached to the Israeli security forces hear strange stories in the course of their duties. One of the strangest was related by a terrorist captured after infiltrating from the Lebanon.

It was the second time this man had been captured. He had been an Israeli prison once before.

Why had he been so foolish as to allow himself to be captured again? In order, he told his interrogators, to have his dental bridge repaired.

When last in an Israeli jail, he explained, he had been fitted with a bridge by the prison dentist. When he went back to the Lebanon it had been damaged. He had asked a dentist in Beirut to repair it, but the price quoted had been exorbitant. At last, he said, was why he had infiltrated back into Israel. (Revised)

OVERSEAS NEWS

Growing antisemitism in Russia

From our Special Correspondent on East European Affairs

The anxiety felt by Soviet Jews and expressed by recent emigrants from the Soviet Union, over the antisemitism gaining momentum among an influential section of the Soviet Establishment, has been confirmed by two experts who visited the country recently.

They are Mr Michael Seammel, a well-known translator from Russian, and Professor Joseph Harris, of the University of Pittsburgh.

Their impressions appear in the latest issue of Survey, a Journal of East and West studies, published by the Oxford University Press.

It says: "Hostility to Israel... apart from its merits or demerits as foreign policy, climaxes all too easily and ominously with a tradition of antisemitism at home... But far more ominous in the long run is the rekindled and rapidly growing phenomenon of Great Russian nationalism and the appearance of a rather amorphous group of people known as the 'natsy'."

According to one well-placed informant, they are particularly powerful in the KGB and security organs.

Professor Harris mentions "a fierce antisemitism" among the characteristics of the 'natsy'. They see the Jews as aliens "stealing... their alleged inability to understand the 'Russian spirit'."

Professor Harris makes it clear that assimilation has not solved anything: "The russified Jewish intelligentsia, which plays a major role in academia and the creative arts, now sees growing limitations on its social and political opportunities, stemming from the fierce anti-Zionist campaign of recent years."

While only a minority fears a return to the horrors of 1948-52, when Jewish cultural figures were liquidated in vast numbers, many fear a resurgence of popular antisemitism as a result of the official campaign against 'Zionism'.

According to the French daily,

Slovak Jews hold services

From a Correspondent

There are Jewish religious communities in 23 districts of Slovakia, according to their central federation. Their one rabbinist Rabbi Isidor Katz, lives in Gelnice.

Communal workers including chazan, are reported to be functioning in Bratislava, Presov, Michalovce and Lucevce, with kosher meals during the season at Plesany Spa and all the year round privately in Bratislava and the community's restaurant in Kosice.

There are daily services in Bratislava, Gelnice, Nove Zamky and Kosice, and on Sabbath eve, the Sabbath and the High Holydays at Michalovce, Presov, Liptovsky Mikulov, Zilina, Trenčín, Ružica, Dunajská Streda, Komarno, Lucevce, Levoca and Nitra.

At Plesany Spa services are held on the High Holydays and on Sabbath eve and the Sabbath during the season. There are also High Holyday services in Rimavska Sobota, Saly, Hlohovec, Beniska, Myšice, Bardejov and Kežmarok. Jewish rites are reported to be observed at funerals. If there is a request for burial in a cemetery at an area where Jews are no longer living, the nearest community will officiate.

There are said to be 400 Jewish cemeteries in Slovakia without a community in the same area. According to the federation, these are cared for by the nearest community, or by local non-Jews.

Odessa rabbi toes the party line

From our Special Correspondent on East European Affairs

For the first time in the 53-year-old history of the Soviet régime, Literaturnaya Gazeta (Literary Gazette), the official organ of the USSR Writers' Union, has published an article by a minister of religion—a rabbi in this case.

The article, by the rabbi of the Odessa community, Rabbi I. B. Schwarzbart, expressed "deep indignation at the outrages of world Zionism, provocations against Soviet citizens and offices in the USA, and the shameful gathering in Brussels."

In its foreign service, Moscow radio broadcast a report of the article distributed by Tass, the official Soviet news agency.

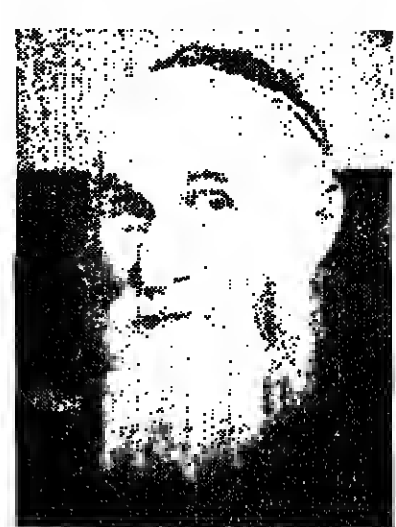
In it, Rabbi Schwarzbart repeated the Soviet propaganda theme opposing Israel with the Nazis: "The victory over Nazism cost the Soviet people 20 million lives, among them old men, women and children."

"Today the Israeli gendarmes train their guns and machine-guns on Arab women, old men and children, while Moshe Dayan threatens to raze almost entire countries from off the face of the earth."

The article condemned "Zionist gentlemen" who had visited Odessa and "extolled the 'Joys of life' in Israel." The Odessa community had "their own ideas about this 'paradise'." Rabbi Schwarzbart declared.

The community was indignant at the holding of the Brussels conference on Soviet Jewry, the article stated, and had adopted a resolution protesting against it.

Another rabbi, Chief Rabbi Yehuda Leib Levin of Moscow—was also involved in a protest against the Brussels conference. He was one of nine people who



Rabbi Schwarzbart

signed a letter calling the conference "a provocation" and "interference in the internal affairs of the Soviet people."

It is a measure of the quandary in which the Soviet leadership finds itself on the Jewish question, if it has to resort to a rabbinical epologist on the pages of the Soviet Union's leading literary weekly.

Rabbi Israel Schwarzbart is a Talmudic scholar with a long-standing reputation in the Soviet Union.

LET MY PEOPLE GO

Every day Jews go to Israel from somewhere in the world.
From lands of discrimination and lands of distress.
50,000 Jews will go to Israel this year.
Many will arrive penniless.
Yet the gates of Israel must remain open.

Who will pay for their transportation, housing, schooling, health and social welfare?

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We the Jewish people without exception must pay for the Jews to go to Israel.

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JPA SURVIVAL CAMPAIGN FOR ISRAEL

Conference envoys want Kremlin talk

From our Correspondent
Paris

The Paris-based presidium of the World Conference of Jewish Communities on Soviet Jewry, which met in Brussels last month, has sent a telegram to Moscow, asking the Soviet Government to receive a delegation to discuss Jewish rights.

Addressed to Mr Alexei Kosygin, the Soviet Prime Minister, the message "respectfully" requested the Soviet Government "to receive a small delegation, representing many Jewish communities, to discuss the rights of Jewish citizens in your country to emigrate, also the cultural and religious possibilities for (your) Jewish community."

"We think an exchange of views could bring an appreciable contribution to mutual comprehension."

The message was signed by Lord Jenner and Mr Michael Fidler, MP (Britain); Mrs Rose Hsifrin, Rebbi Herschel Schacter and Dr William Weiler (United States); Mr Arye L. Pincus and Mr S. Z. Abramov (Israel); Mr David Susskind (Belgium); and Dr Isaac Goldenberg (Argentina).

Synagogue revived

Jewish communal life has been revived in the small city of Melun, 25 miles south-east of Paris, after a lapse of 650 years.

A synagogue was consecrated there on Sunday, with the participation of the Chief Rabbi of France, Rebbi Jacob Kaplan, and the president of the Consistoire Central, Baron Alain de Rothschild. About 100 families from Melun and district attended the ceremony.

Melun was a famous seat of Jewish scholarship during the Middle Ages.

Dutch spy allowed to go home

Amsterdam

A Dutchman sentenced in Israel to five years' imprisonment early this year for spying, arrived in Holland at the weekend after his release from prison in Tel Aviv on Thursday of last week.

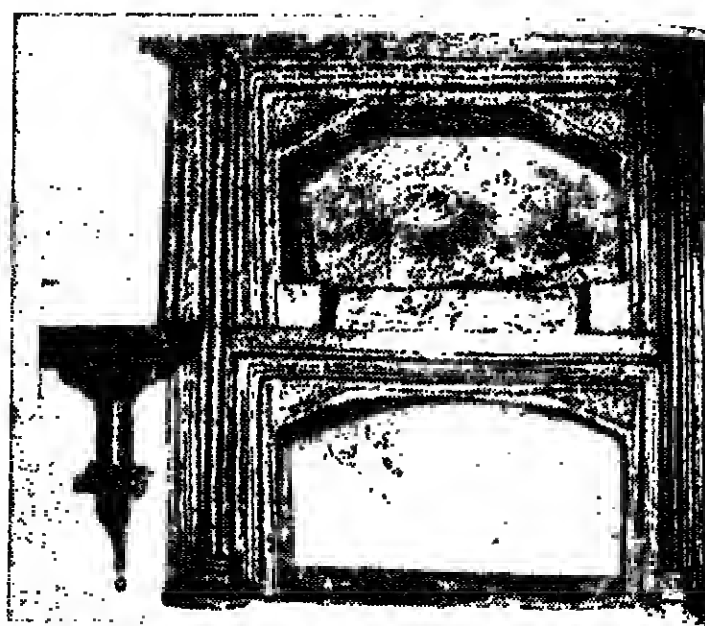
Mr Willem Albert Ruysch, 63, was pardoned by the Israeli President because of his age and bad health.

On his arrival here, he told newsmen that "technically, the Israelis were right, but in fact I had not done anything."

Mr Ruysch said he had gone to Israel for an "ethnological examination of the relations between Arabs and Jews."

He declined to disclose the names of the people for whom he was to have made this examination. They were "a number of Arab friends in Paris," he stated.

He said he had been treated "very decently" during his arrest and trial. (Reuter)



The picture shows what could have been a lecture hall (left) and Ark house in the ancient part of Castelo de Vide, Portugal, which our correspondent thinks was a synagogue. The town had a large Jewish population before the Expulsion in 1497 and one of the steep streets is still called "Judaria." One of its streets is Esplanada, he believed locally to be named after the Jewish philosopher Baruch Spinoza.

Moscow silence on prisoners

From our Correspondent

After nine months' detention of the nine Jewish defendants in the postponed second Leningrad "hijack" trial, relatives are without information about their fate or the right to visit them according to the Jewish Contemporary Library here.

In a statement issued this week, the Library also said that February 8 a few friends who were seeking the right to emigrate asked Leningrad's chief prosecutor for information but without success.

Approaches to the KGB and the Ministry of the Interior brought no satisfactory reply, while the Communist Party headquarters refused to receive a delegation of the defendants' friends.

Another delegation, made up of more friends who had applied to emigrate, then asked Mr L. N. Smirnov, the chairman of the Russian Supreme Court, for information.

He replied that a decision about the prisoners would be made public within three weeks. But there has been no announcement so far.

The Library's statement also revealed that on Thursday of last week a group of Riga Jews had sought information about these prisoners from the Latvian Council of Ministers. The Prime Minister replied that he knew nothing about them.

They asked him to announce when Jews who had applied to emigrate would be allowed to do so. The Premier's reply to this was that the persons concerned should ask the "competent authorities."

The nine Leningrad Jews were arrested on the same day as the aircraft hijacking attempt. June or soon afterwards were Kornblit, 49; Vladimir Mogilevsky, 31; David Chernogolov, 32; Grigori Butman, 28; Leon Kramarsky, 41; Solomon Dvorkin, 30; Lev Yagman, 31; Anatoly Goldfeld, 25; and Viktor Boglavsky, 31.

A Caribbean occasion

From a Correspondent
Charlottesville, Va.

The restored Jewish cemetery here, the chief town on this Caribbean island, was recently consecrated by Rabbi Moshe Stern of New York in the presence of many local personalities in a ceremony of various denominations.

Mr R. L. Bradshaw, the Prime Minister of the State of St. Christopher, Nevis and Anguilla, paid a tribute to the industry of the Jews in the West Indies and their role in American, particularly in the twentieth century.

He recalled that two ancient Jewish cemeteries in the region, in Surinam, were recently restored in the region.

Mr Robert Abrahams, a Philadelphia lawyer, author and composer, read a poem he composed for the occasion.

Forty-nine Soviet Jews arrived in Israel on Thursday of last week, the largest number to have been given visas at one time.

Most were from Riga, and others from Vilna, Kishinev and Moscow. More are on their way. Altogether about 190 Soviet Jews have passed through Vienna on their way to Israel since March 1.

This, following closely on the 89 visas granted to a group of Moscow Jews, bears out the suggestion to our Paris correspondent by an expert on Soviet treatment of Jews that the Russian authorities are looking anxiously towards the forthcoming Soviet Communist Party congress starting on March 30.

According to this expert, they want to try and prevent the question of Soviet Jews being raised during the congress by foreign party delegates, many of whom have been critical of Soviet policy in this matter.

He says that the recent Soviet handling of exit permits for Jews reflects a struggle at the top oval to find the best course to adopt.

HOME NEWS

Moves to boycott Kiev dancers

Jewish Chronicle Reporter

Calls for a Jewish boycott and for demonstrations against the Red Army Ensemble of Kiev have followed last week's disclosure in the Jewish Chronicle that a Jewish impresario is to bring the group on a current tour of Britain later this month.

The ensemble will appear in London at the Gaiety Green, Odessa, and the boycott call to Jews has been made by two local ministers—the Rev Leslie Hardman, and the Hon. David Margulies (United), and Rabbi Daw Marmar, of the North-West London Reform Synagogue.

Rabbi Marmar also asked the impresario, Mr Maurice King, to cancel the tour. He wrote on behalf of the 3,500 Jews in the Gaiety Green area who were "enraged by the systematic denial of self-expression to the Jews in the Soviet Union."

Mr King refused to cancel the tour because, he said, this would only lead to further tension and misunderstanding.

Even demonstrations against the ensemble, Mr King wrote to Rabbi Marmar, could lead to further problems for the Jews both in the Soviet Union and in the West.

Mr Hardman told me that he would call on as many people as possible to try to influence them to boycott the performers. Rabbi Marmar intends to distribute leaflets about the persecution of Soviet Jews outside the Gaiety Green theatre during the Russian season there.

Plans for demonstrations against the ensemble are being prepared by a number of organisations involved in the protest campaign against the persecution of Jews in the Soviet Union.

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£200,000 school for London

By our Education Correspondent

Official Government approval has been given for aided status for the Yesselev Hutorah girls' primary school in Stamford Hill.

The decision was conveyed to the school governors in a letter from Lord Hailwood, Under-Secretary of State for Education.

The present premises in Amhurst Park are to be demolished, and building work on a new school will commence in July. The new school, which will house 200 girls, is expected to open in September, 1972.

Twenty per cent of the total cost of £200,000 will be provided by the State, with the remainder coming from the school authorities. About £40,000 raised at a recent dinner in aid of the school brought the total reached in state to about £100,000.

It is anticipated that the present staff of twelve will be increased when the new school opens. The headmistress is Mrs M. Rabinovitch.

On obtaining aided status, the school will be maintained by the Inner London Education Authority.

The girls' primary school is one of five within the Yesselev Hutorah group, whose principal is Rabbi S. S. Pinter.

Bomb threats over stamp catalogue

Jewish Chronicle Reporter

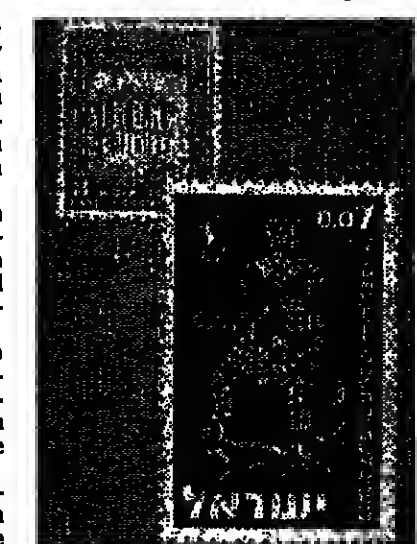
Jordan has banned the Middle East volume of the 1971 Stanley Gibbons stamp catalogue—on the ground that it contains "open propaganda for Israel"—and telephoned bomb threats have been received at the firm's offices in Covent Garden.

Jordan's complaint arises from the fact that, this year, the catalogue has been serialised, with one volume issued for "Israel and Palestine—also Iraq, Jordan, Lebanon, Syria."

Stanley Gibbons has received no official statement from the Jordanian Government, but it is understood that the firm has no intention of changing the appearance of the catalogue.

Gibbons are expected to tell Jordan that stamp collecting is an international hobby and above politics. This was the reply given to the president of the Iraqi Philatelic Society, Dr Hamdi Ezzel, who complained about the firm in a letter to the Baghdad Observer.

"The Arabs contend that Israel is an 'illegitimate State' and has no place in the book," Gibbons maintain that Israel is part of the Middle East and that its history is



The cover of the catalogue, interwoven with that of the Arab States.

A spokesman for the firm stated that Israel was one of the most popular countries among philatelists. The catalogue, which lists more than 450 Israeli stamps, sold well in Israel. Only a few copies were sold in Jordan.

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University's new plan for British students

Jewish Chronicle Reporter

A major expansion programme, including a large section for overseas students, is being undertaken by the Hebrew University.

This was reported by its vice-president, Mr Bernard Cherrick, at the annual dinner and ball of the Friends of the university, held at the Hilton Hotel, London, on Sunday.

Mr Cherrick declared that the Hebrew University would never

students would be able to study in English during their first two years, and Latin-American students in Spanish. This, said Mr Cherrick, would circumvent difficulties facing students not knowing Hebrew.

All the speakers paid tribute to a remarkable woman, Mrs Lina Halper who, as chairman of the ball committee, has organised the function since its inception.

Mr Cherrick, Dr J. Jaffe, counsel-



Professor Neubarger (right) in conversation with Mr Cherrick. In the centre is Mrs Halper

leave its Mount Scopus home. "We are back on Mount Scopus and we are there to stay," he said amid loud applause.

The university was expanding as a result of ony ambitious and imaginative schemes, which ignored Arab threats and the war of nerves which they were conducting.

A decision had recently been taken to establish a new section for overseas students, a novel feature of which was that English

for economic affairs at the Israeli Embassy, Professor A. Neubarger, chairman of the executive committee of the Friends, and Dr W. Zander, the retiring secretary, all praised her unique qualities and intense devotion to the cause of the university.

Mrs Halper herself announced that the function raised £25,000.

Professor Neubarger also paid tribute to Dr Zander's outstanding work for the Friends, and Dr Zander responded.

Young Russian's dream comes true

By SIDNEY LIGHTMAN

"For twelve years I wanted to go home to my own country, Israel, and now my dream is coming true. My son, Haim, will grow up in the Jewish State."

With these words, spoken in halting Yiddish, Mr Grigori Katz, who left Moscow on Saturday with his wife and 15-month-old baby, seemed to be trying to convince himself that he had really managed to leave Russia and was not merely dreaming he was free.

He had just been greeted at London Airport by Mr Itzhak Rager, political counsellor at the Israeli Embassy, who had hastened to the airport when news of Mr Katz's arrival reached him.

The scene was charged with emotion. Mr Katz embraced Mr Rager, kissing him on both cheeks, tears of joy in his eyes.

We sat in the almost deserted lounge of the Skyway Hotel, as Mr Katz's wife, Tatiana, put Haim to bed and then went to sleep. Mr Katz himself was far too excited to go to bed, although it was already 1.30 a.m. "I must tell you what happened," he said.

Time and again, since 1958, he told me, he had submitted applications for exit visas for himself and his family. All had been rejected. Then, last week, he was given the visas and told he could leave in a matter of days.

"We packed our bags, bought a ticket for Aeroflot's flight to Vienna and went to Moscow Airport on Saturday," he said. Their luggage was put on the aircraft and they were about to embark when officials called the family aside.

The next three hours seemed like a lifetime. Questions and more questions about why they were leaving were fired at Mr Katz.

Meanwhile, the aircraft left for Vienna with the family's luggage aboard, including the baby's pram.

Then, as suddenly as they appeared, the officials stopped their



Another Soviet Jew allowed to leave Russia for Israel, Major Grigori Feigin, with pupils of the JFS Comprehensive School, London, during his visit there last week

questioning. "All right, you can go," they said, and walked off.

A crowd of Jews had come to the airport to see off the Katzes, as well as a number of other Jews who had been allowed to leave. They were still there when the officials left Mr Katz and knew he had missed his flight.

Without further ado, they had a "whip-round," bought tickets for the next Aeroflot flight—which happened to be for London—and waited until the airliner had taken off with the Katz family aboard.

I asked Mr Katz where he had learned Yiddish. "My grandmother, who is from the Ukraine, and my aunt used to speak Yiddish to me and I picked it up."

Mr Katz said that his grandmother and aunt were now living in the Moscow flat he had left. What did he want to do in Israel?

"I am a dentist," the stocky, powerfully-built, 30-year-old emigrant said. "But I am fit and strong and will do anything."

"I can drive a lorry and I do labouring work. I don't know what I do, so long as I can live in Israel, among Jews."

By this time, it was three o'clock on Sunday morning: even the hotel's night staff were looking sleepy. Mr Katz went up to his room to snatch some rest.

That day, Sunday, Mr Rager wanted to put Mr Katz and his wife and child on an El Al flight to Israel. El Al had already agreed to ask three of their passengers to take a later aircraft, as that flight was fully booked.

When Mr Katz heard this he demurred. "My friend," he told Mr Rager, "I have waited so long to go to Israel that another day will make no difference."

"El Al has a high reputation and I don't want to suffer on my account. Please don't take any of the aircraft because of me."

So the Katz family had an extra day in Britain and left for Lydd on Monday, still tired, but smiling happily.

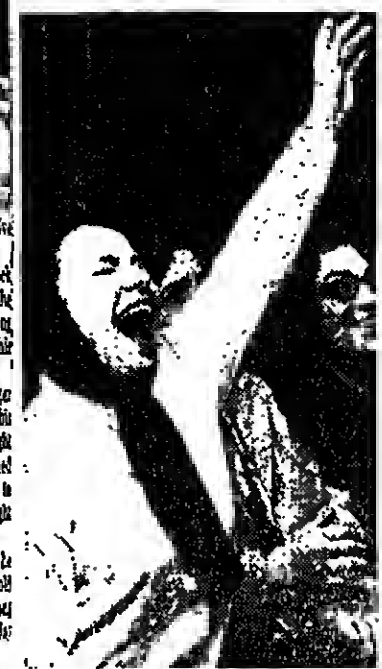
Militant wives want lower meat prices

Jewish Chronicle Reporter

More than 100 militant Jewish housewives, most of them young, moved into bottles in Ilford on Monday, demanding from their kosher butchers and poultryers their pound of flesh at a cheaper price.

This was the first round in their fight against the cost of kosher meat and poultry. They battled bravely against representatives of the meat and poultry trade who formed a panel to explain why prices are so high.

One butcher stated that it cost



An angry housewife makes her point

him 20p to deliver meat ordered by telephone. The women retorted: "We are coming to collect our meat this week. Will you knock off the 20 pence?"

Mr J. Brenner, secretary of the London Board for Shechita, agreed with the housewives that there was too great a margin between the

cost of kosher and non-kosher meat. But he pointed out that some difference in price was inevitable.

Mr Leon Slaw, a wholesaler, denied that there was a "ring" among the four wholesalers in the kosher market. Butchers, he said, were free to "shop around" and there was no form of bribery.

The housewives' main complaint was that the retailers had not been heard in the arguments. They also alleged that the wholesalers were not disclosing any actual losses and that the retailers were not saying why the cost of meat was high.

The butchers did, in fact, voice their opinions, but sold little to pacify the housewives.

At the end the organisers, Ilford Ashdud Ladies' Committee, stated: "We are not happy. We are going to press the matter further." A husband added: "What we should do is boycott the butchers for five weeks."

Chief Rabbi bans prayer book

Jewish Chronicle Reporter

An order of service for Israel's Independence Day, which received the approval of Sir Israel Brodie when he was Chief Rabbi, has been declared "unacceptable" by his successor, Chief Rabbi Jakobovits.

Mr Armin Krausz, who compiled the volume, told me that Rabbi A. M. Roso, executive director of the Chief Rabbi's Office, had "minutely gone through it before it was published to make sure it conformed with Dr Brodie's wishes."

But this week Rabbi Roso declared: "Mr Krausz's order of service is not halachically acceptable. It deviates too far from what we would approve of in this country."

"Too many prayers have been added. You can't create a form of service except within certain halachic limitations, and Mr Krausz's volume does not conform to the halachic requirements prevailing in Britain."

A furious Mr Krausz, commenting on Dr Jakobovits's decision not to authorise its use in future, asked: "Why is he encouraging each congregation to have its own order of service? This is the way

to create disunity. Why this sectarianism? Why this divisive attitude?"

He added that at least 15 congregations within the United Synagogue had used his order of service since it was published in 1964, and that Dr Jakobovits himself had attended Independence Day services at the Hampstead Garden Suburb Synagogue, where the volume was used.

Imaginative generosity

Rabbi Rose told me that the Chief Rabbi was in the process of compiling a new order of service for use on Independence Day in synagogues under his jurisdiction.

In a foreword to Mr Krausz's volume, Rabbi Brodie wrote: "The present publication, which owes so much to the imaginative generosity of Mr Armin Krausz, of Sheffield, and the scholarly translation and notes of Dr M. Friedlander, is to be welcomed. I trust it

will find acceptance in our communities."

Earlier he wrote: "A special order of service... has been worked out with the sanction of the Israeli rabbinic authorities, which is permissively used in the synagogues in Israel."

"In this country I have requested congregations to introduce appropriate additions to the statutory prayers, some of which have been taken from the order of vice accepted in Israel."

"It has been felt, however, that the religious expression of rejoicing should be expanded and follow a little more fully the form of service which accepted in Israel."

Mr Krausz, in his preface, wrote: "... My efforts would have failed without the support of a wide circle of sincere sympathisers," including Rabbi Brodie, Rabbi Rose, Dr Zerah Wahrhaftig (Israeli Minister for Religious Affairs), and Dr S. Z. Kahane, then Director-General of the Ministry.

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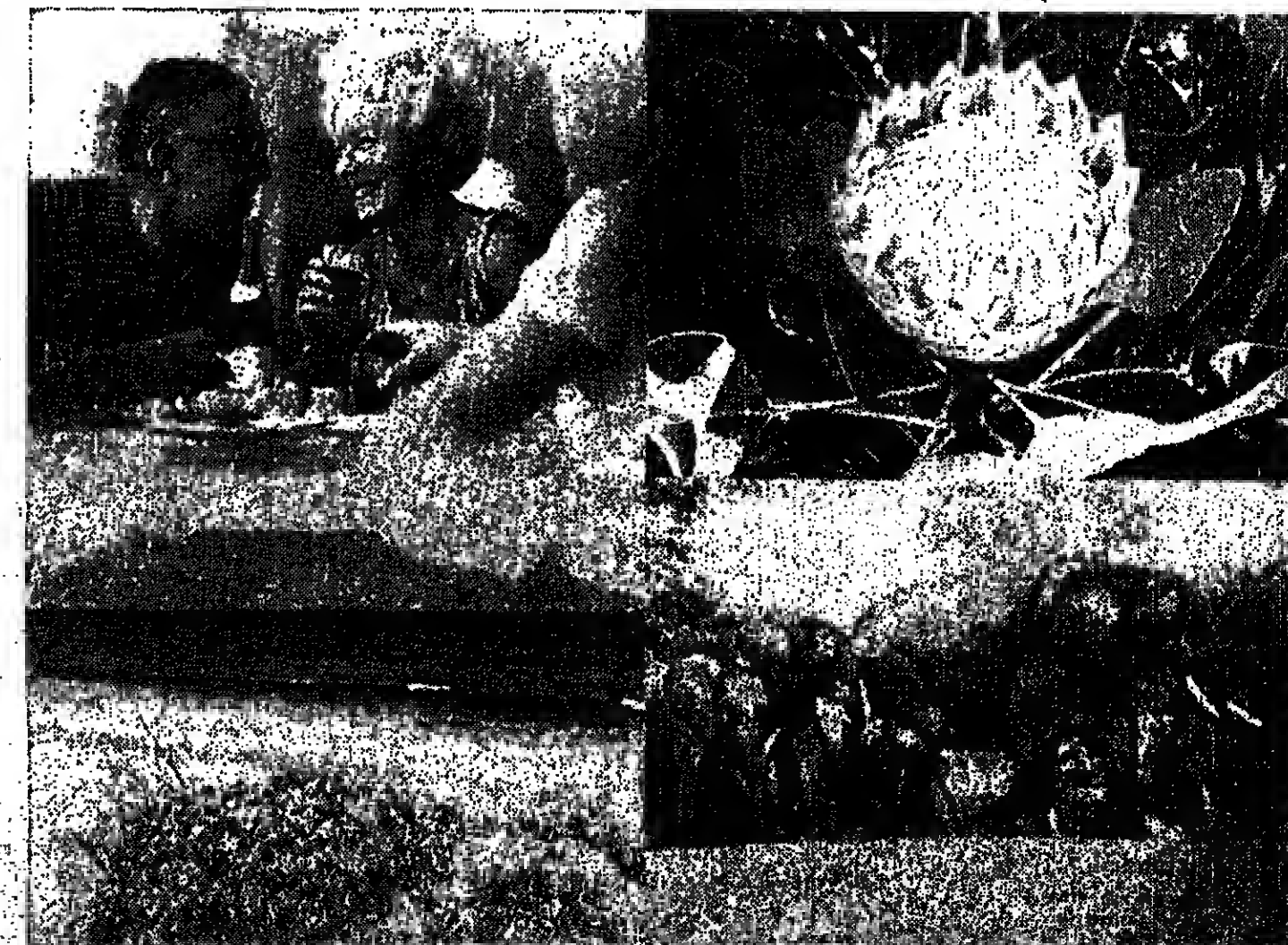
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Obstacles in divorce

Jewish Chronicle Reporter

Organisations which are striving to obtain rabbinical approval for changes in the legal status of Jewish women were given strong support last week at a brains trust organised by the Anglo-Jewish Association.

Taking part in the meeting, held at the Highgate Synagogue, were Mr Clemens Nathan, treasurer of the AJA; Mr David Kessler, chairman and managing director of the Jewish Chronicle; and Dr I. Gordon, senior consultant at the London Jewish Hospital. Mr David Davis presided.

Dr Gordon stated that Jewish women encountered a terrible stumbling-block in the halacha, which caused great hardship—particularly on such issues as divorce.

He suggested that one way out of the problem was to give a Gai (bill of divorce) at the time of marriage which would be held in case "by the officiating rabbi."

This matter, according to Mr Kessler, was one which the woman's liberation movement could take up. In the diaspora, halacha was a matter of conscience. In Israel, one was beset with the problem.

Mr Nathan agreed that a solution had to be found. The relationship between man and woman had, he said, changed with emancipation.

In connection with the report of a general court of the Jewish Home and Hospital at Tottenham, which appeared in our issue of January 26, Mr Martin Aspin, the chief secretary, informs us that he has terminated his employment with the Home. He is very amiable terms. He is now employed with Jewish National Fund.

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Reform in row over ban on advertisement

From our Correspondent Newcastle

Newcastle's Jewish Representative Council has banned the publication in its official organ, "The Recorder," of an advertisement for a religion teacher for the local Reform synagogue.

This has led to a row lasting five months in the Newcastle Jewish community and has also led to the Reform Synagogue of Great Britain being called into the dispute.

It was last September that the Newcastle Reform Synagogue submitted the advertisement, but the executive of the Representative Council refused to accept it on the grounds that the appearance of such an advertisement "would be offensive to certain members of the Orthodox community."

In January the Representative Council offered to print the advertisement provided the name of the synagogue was omitted and it was published under the name of a private individual. This was not acceptable to the Reform synagogue, which approached the parent organisation for guidance.

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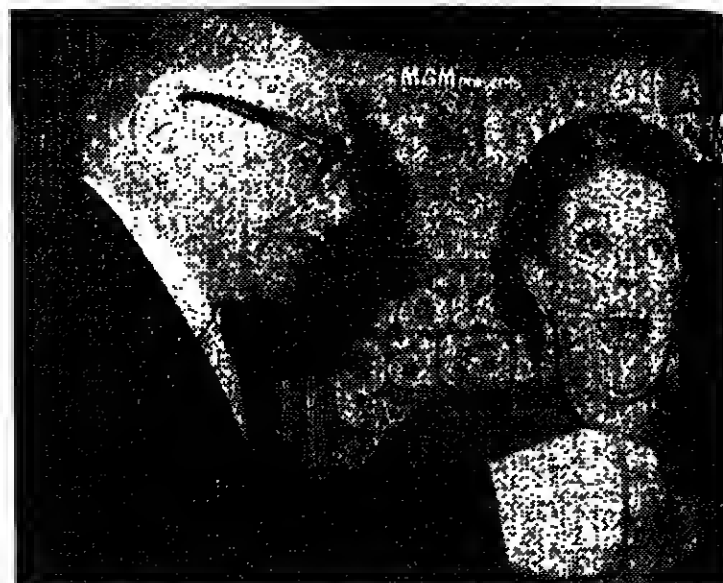
The RSGB chairman, Mr. Bernard Davis, wrote to the Council demanding that the Newcastle Reform Synagogue—which is a member of the Representative Council—be accorded its due rights "and that the advertisement be published in its original form."

This the Council, after hearing a report by its president, Dr. Lionel Kopelowitz, refused to do. A resolution was moved and defeated. A further resolution, offering to print the advertisement under the name of a private person, was passed.

A letter was sent by the Reform synagogue two weeks ago to the president of the Board of Deputies, Alderman Michael Fidler, MP, asking him to intervene. To date he has not replied.

A spokesman for the RSGB in London this week told the Jewish Chronicle: "It is an incredible situation that a synagogue cannot advertise for a religion teacher in a communal publication."

It is understood that a meeting of the Representative Council was due to be held yesterday (Thursday), when the subject was due to be reconsidered.



Actress Peggy Mount at Sunday's British premiere of her film, "The Paradise," which raised about £2,000 for the JNF. With her is Mr. La Domb, chairman of the Kingsbury JNF Commission, which sponsored the performance.

'Quickie' conversions for Britons in France

Jewish Chronicle Report

"Quickie" conversions of prospective British emigrants to Israel are to be resumed, following talks in London last week between Chief Rabbi Jakobovits and Rabbi Mordechai Kirshblum, associate head of the Jewish Agency's immigration department.

The conversions, however, will still have to be carried out in Marseilles, as the Chief Rabbi continues to ban them in Britain.

The Marseilles conversions were stopped in December after intervention by the British ecclesiastical authorities. The Jewish Agency's methods of converting non-Jewish families intending to emigrate to Israel caused an uproar at December's conference of European rabbis in Rome.

This resulted in an investigation by the Israeli Chief Rabbinate into conversions performed at the Jewish Agency's transit camp in Vienna.

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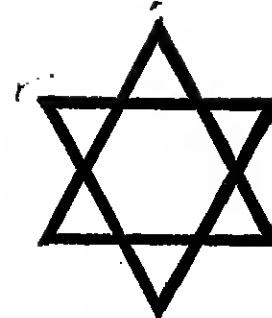
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Poverty—the enemy within

Last week's illegal but peaceful demonstration in Jerusalem by so-called "Black Panthers" was a sharp and timely reminder that there is one problem which, no matter how long it is ignored, just will not go away.

It is that of Israel's underprivileged, the unwilling drop-outs from the inflationary boom which sees many Israelis living at higher standards than ever before, despite massive taxation and enforced loans to meet defence costs.

Although the anti-establishment New Left tried to make political capital from their plight, Jerusalem's Black Panthers have nothing in common with the militant black movement in the United States, except for the name and a similar determination to make society pay for their rejection.

The Black Panthers of Jerusalem are the wreckage left on the shore after the waves of North African immigration of the early 'fifties had passed. Most of them are young enough to carry the proud appellation "sabro," that is, one born in the country, but they have reaped none of the benefits.

They were spawned in the two-storey stone houses thrown up almost overnight in the Katamon district and the tin huts erected in Kiryat Yovel to provide "temporary" accommodation for the torrent of Moroccan, Tunisian, Algerian and Middle East Jews who poured into Israel in the first few years after statehood.

The two-room flats in the Katamon buildings were not too bad when they had to accommodate just mother, father and perhaps four children. But then grandmothers and grandfathers came too, and, as is the way with families of Oriental origin, more children (today's Black Panthers).

Now there are anything up to

twelve people, sometimes even more, living in two rooms, with only primitive facilities. When the older children marry, they join the night-time scramble for a place on the mattresses thrown on the floor. There is never a second of privacy, not a moment when a baby isn't crying, children fighting or parents, care-worn parents, arguing.

Kiryat Yovel, where some of the best accommodation in Jerusalem is being constructed for new immigrants, still has 450 families living in tin huts with no other source of warmth in the cold winters than a conglomeration of bodies. They were little better than cattle sheds when they were built. Now it is 20 years later.

The children have nowhere to go but the streets—where there are who you and I would call streets. There are no playgrounds, no parks. It is surprising that more of the boys do not turn to crime and more of the girls to prostitution.

Of course, many of them do. But prison or reformatory is no cure. Forty-four per cent of the children who were judged delinquent in 1962 came back before the courts.

The best teachers in the world could not provide an adequate education for children from this sort of background, children who are racked, additionally, by emotional disturbances. Even the army, which has handled many tough problems in its time, does not want them in its ranks.

"To hell with Grisha Feigin," shouted one young man at last week's Jerusalem demonstration, "what about me?"

But there are people who are bothered about him. Jerusalem's director of social welfare services is one. American-born Dr. Eliezer Jaffe is on leave from his post as



Riot police in Jerusalem confront a "Black Panther" demonstrator

senior lecturer in social welfare at the Hebrew University.

Six months ago, in a report to the municipality, he warned that the situation in Jerusalem's slum areas was "dynamic," that it was no longer possible to cater chiefly for the problems of Western immigrants, while by-passing those who were suffering "second-generation lion poverty."

He is still hampered by lack of funds, so he has made a start by rationalising the time of his own staff. Two many field workers were engaged in huremmerle processes, such as the preparation of relief pay sheets, so a lot of them used to leave.

Now clerks are doing the work, and the trained social workers are where they should be, in the field, meeting their clients, a frightening one in ten of the total population of some 200,000.

Dr. Jaffe has also managed to get the social welfare budget for the city raised from a pitiful £1,000,000 to a woefully inadequate £1,100,000.

What he is after now is a fund of several millions in credit obligations wings to be built up in the Katamon houses, thus providing third-hand more accommodation, though he cannot, at this moment, see where the money will come from.

Nothing can be done to improve

the huts of Kiryat Yovel. "Whether thou garest, I will go; people who live in them anywhere thou lodgest, I will lodge; only in one direction—out. My people shall be my people, and where I go, thy God my God; where thou diest, where I will die and there will I be dard housing (and 47 per cent)."

The families living in the tin huts in Jerusalem are, in these homocentric words Ruth and her husband, Naomi, the Moabite, ancestress of King David, and another have such low David, defined for all time what in what is a highest ideal makes a Jew, a righteous Jew, that they cannot proselyte. Her declaration implies to take out mortgages to complete identification with the Jewish people and its faith.

Dr. Jaffe has managed, in the Jewish attitude towards inadequate budget, to improve the situation, varying from means that, from April 1, 1969, the suspicion was nourished £500 a month. This is a fear of dilution of the true country where food costs are as well as, in now parallel with those in Britain, period, of history, troubles brought

What is being done now is by converts. meal and stop-gap. Working in the diaspora of Islam and other departments of the Christianity, the dominant religion pality, Dr. Jaffe and his staff have not look favourably arranged for the school day on the defection of any of its flock, extended in some districts, in the country a law is still on hot meal being provided for the statute book (though an children at lunchtime, attempt to enforce it in this day

Halls have been opened and are hardly concealable), they can do their homework, prohibiting any attempt by Jews to social workers are being sent "enforce" a Christian from his homes to establish contact with

families and their needs. The centuries-old Orthodox preaching that the Army can enforce it, to discourage would-be would be to take 500 "take proselytes, but to accept them if risks" from under-privileged are persistent and are judged homes and that them things to be sincere in their desire to convert which are within their grasp, and

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According to the Shulchan Aruch (halachic codes) any Jew who is one which should, and not, "admit" himself, will, exercise all Israel, paid. A both dip defined a, consisting if the present state of affairs, three strictly observant Jew—emergency should pass and any three—although it would be come in its place.

GEOFFREY D. PALMER, one ordained rabbi.

How to become a Jew



Both of the partners to this Jewish marriage in Israel were proselytes

In an organised community the task is entrusted to a community appointed both din, in this country the London Beth Din (Court of the Chief Rabbi) is the main, though no longer the sole, authority for Orthodox conversions. In America, where Orthodox religious organisation is chaotic, conversions are undertaken by a multiplicity of local din.

If a conversion is carried out by a "kasher" both din, the religious authorities have no alternative but to accept the fact, although in practice they will generally look very carefully into the

circumstances, to make sure the requirements of the *hal* (religious law) have been complied with.

These requirements are, briefly, instruction in the tenets of Judaism; formal acceptance by the approval of the "yoke of the mitzvot" (laws of Judaism); circumcision for the male (symbolic if he is already circumcised) and, finally, immersion in a ritual bath.

The time from the first application by a would-be convert to final admission varies from both din to both din and from case to case. At the London Beth Din it will take anything up to three years.

But when expedient, even the most Orthodox of rabbis will act quickly. In June of last year the strictly Orthodox—though highly individualistic—Chief Rabbi of the Israel Defence Forces, Major-General Shimon Goren, performed a lightning conversion on a young woman whose case threatened to break up the coalition government. The Chief Rabbi had refused to endorse her previous conversion by a Progressive rabbi in Tel Aviv.

The practice of conversion differs, too, among Orthodox and Liberal Jews, whose main requirement is that the would-be convert will himself be, and bring his family up to be, faithful to the tenets of Judaism as understood by them. Thus, circumcision is not mandatory for a Liberal convert.

The increase in non-Jewish immigrants to Israel from Eastern Europe who are married to Jews causes a problem unique in Jewish history.

They are intensely attracted to the Jewish people and Jewish history, but often not to the Jewish religion in any meaningful sense; they may even be atheists.

They wish to be identified with the Jewish people, but, unlike Ruth, not with the Jewish faith.

The dilemma they pose to the rabbis in Israel highlights the paradox facing an essentially secular Jewish State, whose roots are inextricably bound up with the Jewish religion.

MICHAEL WALLACH

SAUL BELLOW

Award for sanity

One of the nicest things about the news that Saul Bellow has, for the third time, won the American National Book Award for his novel, "Mr. Sammler's Planet," is the light it sheds on the current state of the American people. For a country constantly reported to be in the throes of a most distressing nervous breakdown, this choice provides a categorical denial. The United States may be worried, disturbed, anxious, but if it can still value and honour a writer like Bellow it is certainly sane.

No one can read Bellow's novels without being struck by their central quality of sanity and balance. Indeed it is precisely this lucid, unreasonableness which has provoked some of his critics into attacking him. The forces of unreason having been allowed by the silent majority to rage unchecked, they simply cannot bear that so eminent an intelligence, so great yet easy a stylist, should remain firmly and even squarely (if one may dare use the word) on the side of calm, order and sense.

Bellow's essence—his particular mixture of high intelligence and civilised concern—has been in evidence from the beginning. On the very first page of his very first novel, "Dangling Man" (published in 1944), he indicated quite clearly the preoccupations which absorb him still. His concern is, in a word, with "feeling." "Most serious matters," he says, "are closed to the hard-boiled."

Twenty-six years later he is still saying the same, still miraculously in the middle position, fighting against the hard without giving an inch to the soft. Oper almost any page of "Mr. Sammler's Planet" and we find affirmation after affirmation of normality, the golden mean:

"At the present level of human evolution propositions were held by which choices were narrowed down to soliloquy and madness. . . . A few may comprehend that it is the strength to do one's

duty daily and promptly that makes saints and heroes.

How many contemporary writers would have had the courage to say that? What is, of course, remarkable is that Bellow's sense of order and even duty has remained so unclouded, so comprehensive and flexible, that it can contain the explosion of "Henderson the King," the scenes of violence and hatred in the last chapters of "Hegel" and the "unconscious, ideographic world" of "Angus March" without breaking.

Has he a fault? With perhaps there is (the inevitable antennae of a much success) a shade too much forgiveness of all human weaknesses—some of which deserve rougher treatment than simple exposure. It is possible that his finely wrought, silver net of understanding accommodates too much in its stretch.

Its own mind is too large, too well trained and amply stocked for him to grasp either the special difficulties of the less endowed, or their peril when subjected in the terrifying power of sheer, brute stupidity.

A word must be said about his Jewishness. Though neither the first nor the last of the great writers of our time to turn his attention to this part of himself, he has done so with a kind of unself-conscious, tender curiosity which has done so much to bring about the extraordinary interest in us which is still flourishing. This interest would still have come about, but without him might conceivably have taken a quite different turn, become more vulgar, more closely related to modish nonsense.

One could speak of his Shakespearean respect for the truth of human behaviour and its human consequences, but it is enough to say that those marvellous psychologists, the ancient rabbis, would have been proud of him.

GERDA CHARLES

Klobbioso

by Sol Litvak

How much can you tell about your opponent's hand from the play of one card? In the 1933 U.S. Open E. Cantor analysed carefully and got a useful hint in play against J. Durante.

Durante Cantor

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♦ A Q ♦ 10 7
♣ A ♣ J 8

Original cards underlined.

The Club 10 was disclosed and the button card the Spade Ace. Durante took on in Spades and played the 2 diamonds. Cantor returned a club. Durante played the Heart Queen. Cantor considered the trump situation and decided Durante needed the Heart 10 for his take out. So he played the Heart King and returned his 2nd club. Durante ruled with the Queen and Cantor, hearing no bells, could place the Ace. A second heart brought the Ace and Cantor played Spade 10 to take out the King and make the 1-2-2 tricks for a 6-5-7 bid. The play of the Spade 7 at trick 7 brings Durante home 67-53.

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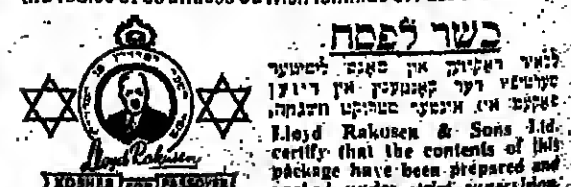
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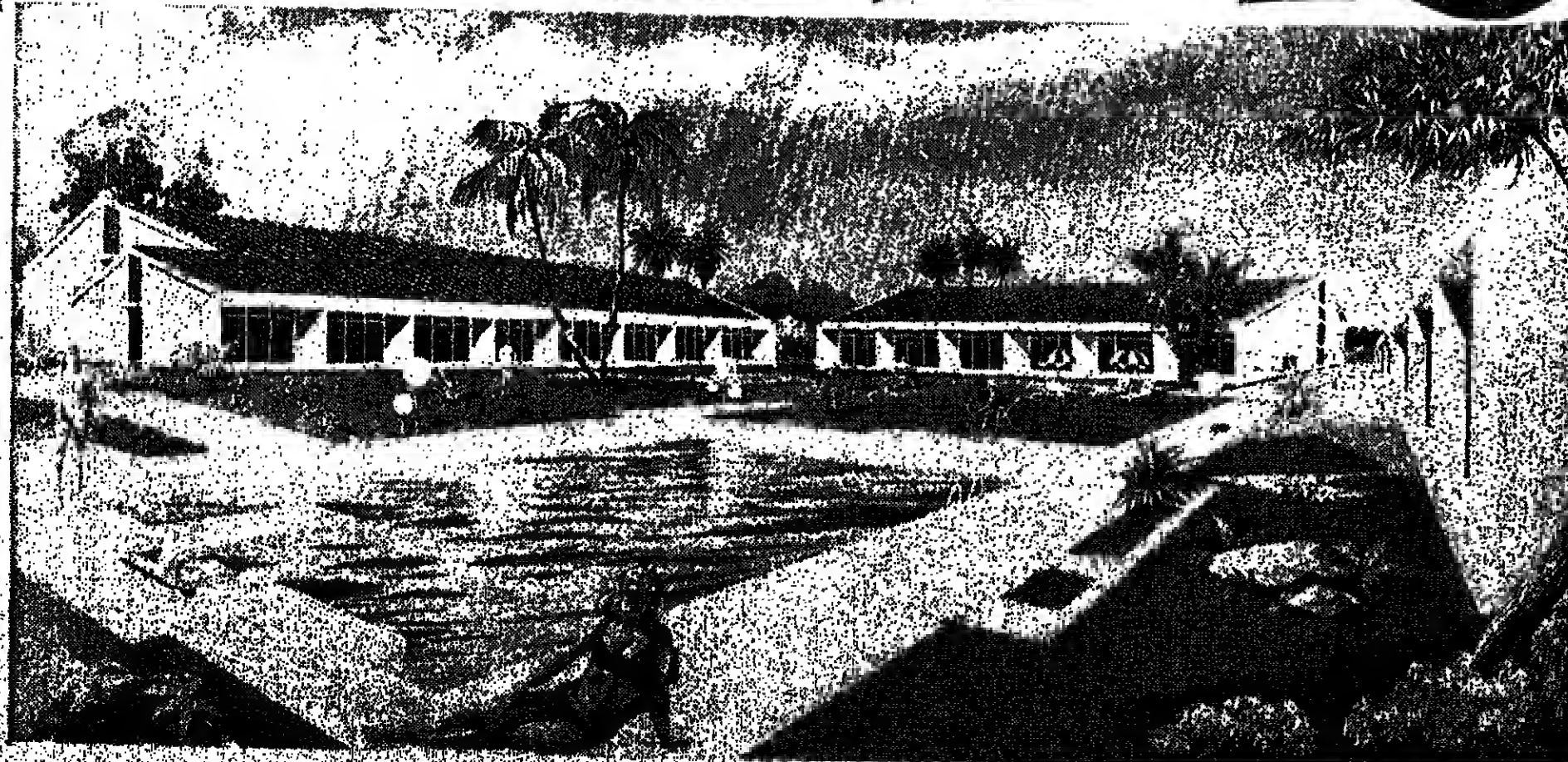
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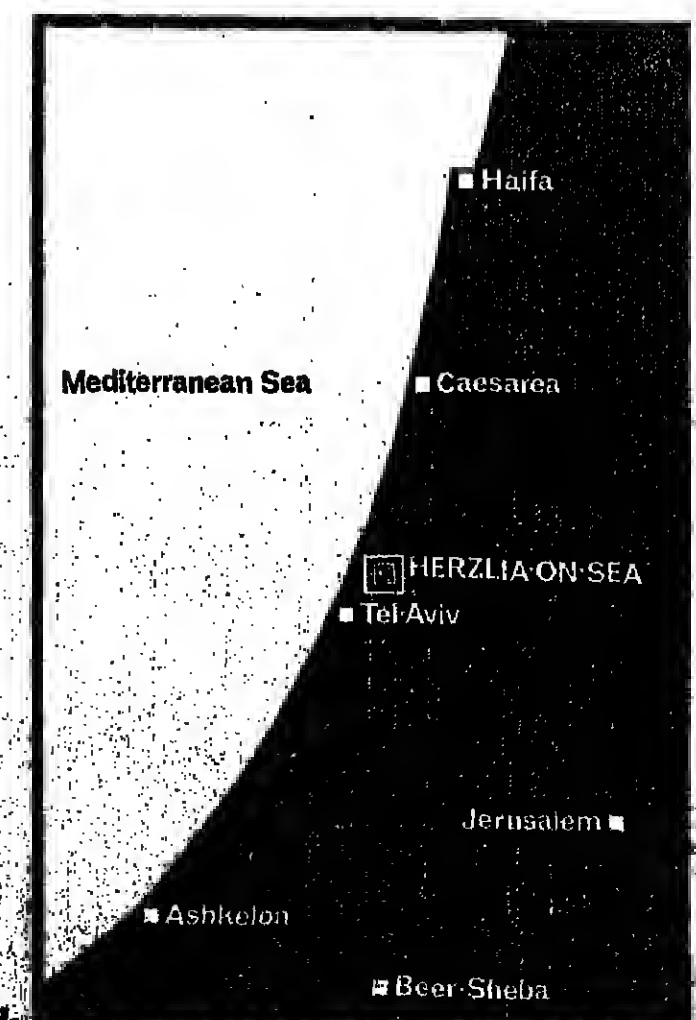
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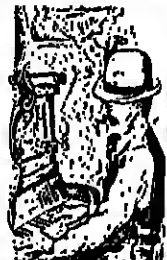
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Arts & Entertainments

Love makes a comeback

PAMELA MELNIKOFF

"But she's not some crazy hippie," the young hero of Love Story (AA) protests when his millionaire father objects to his forthcoming marriage—and this, I think, is the key to the phenomenal success this year's Royal Film has already enjoyed in the States.

For "Love Story" at the Parnmount and Plaza, is basically nice, simple and conventional. Boy, a clean-cut Harvard law student from a leading Boston family, meets Giel, the music student daughter of an Italian pastrycook. They fall in love. He defies his father to marry her and is cut off with the proverbial dime. They suffer poverty. Then with the good times in sight, she dies of leukaemia.

Though it has been hailed as the harbinger of a new wave of screen romances, this is by no means an old-fashioned "weepie." The plot may be traditional, but the treatment is ultra-contemporary. The dialogue is terse and laced with sharp wilecracks, and the heroine's favourite expletives are those not normally used in polite society; even on her deathbed she employs the politer version of a popular four-letter word.

Ryan O'Neal and Ali MacGraw

are appealing and often very moving as this latter-day Romeo and Juliet, and there is sympathetic support from Ray Milland as the surely Montague and John Marley as the endearing Capulet.

Were it not for the Cheeky humour of Michael Caine in the title role, Get Carter (X), at the ABC-2, Shaftesbury Avenue, would be one of the most repellent gangster films ever.

He plays a racketeer pledged to avenge his brother's death and his niece's dishonour. It is one of those films in which crooks murmur

discretions, sneaky hold, rooms, forward unadvised, want swains, assumed name, police inspectors, stultified, slumming floors.

Set in Paris at the turn of the century, and therefore a greenish to the eye, it is a situation rather than a story. Alec Guinness, a respectable hand temporarily set free by his hitherto wife (Peggy Mount) to visit a sick relative, does spend a naughty night at the Pseudis with Gloria Loring, the neglected wife of his nephew (Robert Morley). It is all clean fun.

In a small town in New York seven drunks shoot down a man in a hall of bullets before credit titles have even gone to Lawman (AA), at the Le Pavilion. It is an accurate picture of what is to come.

Neighbouring marshes are exactly to round up the ecreants, but they, their own shal (Robert Ryan), and the low townfolk see no reason they should comply.

A film about a strike in Mexico at the International Union of Mill and Smelter Workers, east mainly made up of me of the union, sounds as if it bo deadily, but Salt of the (A), at the Paris-Pollman, thralling entertainment.

Made in 1951, the film's between the Mexican mines their "white" overloads is a issue; just as important is conflict between the downer miners' wives and their own folk. The women take over picket line when the miners forbidden to picket, thus coming not only against the local sheriff but also against equally outraged husbands. The film's "Women's Lib" is greatly applauded.

The French-Jewish Murry Me, Marry Me will be ing at the Rex, East Finchley, a week commencing Sunday.

TELEVISION Awards and rewards

BENNY GREEN

It is always a highly emotional week for any industry when prize day comes around. The annual Film and Television Awards ceremony is one of those events, like the Oscar presentations and the community singing at the cup final, which flowers in the mistaken belief that it shows the best of its profession, when in fact it always shows the worst.

Quite apart from the fundamental idiosyncrasy of any process purporting to judge the relative merits of creative works, this year's presentation, which paid the usual lip service to production standards, was itself abysmally produced, what with tilted cameras, loaded commentary, one unbelievably cruel and insensitive lapse of taste and the interesting technical breakthrough of reducing the status of the programme to that of a silent movie every time Princess Anne was seen awarding a prize.

Relentless

To be honest, things are not really as bad as the awards might lead one to believe. There is, for instance, the current excellent adaptation of "Jude the Obscure," which, having recovered from its early hysteria of pig's entrails and frontal nudity, has settled into a good honest interpretation of Hardy's grim final novel, which means there are bound to be odd moments when the modern sensibility giggles at Hardy's relentless determination to pile on the agony.

I take it that "Jude" is a success because of the way it stops me from doing anything else while it is showing. This habit of arranging our affairs to fit the viewing times of classic serials, began, of course, with "The Forsyte Saga," which actually cleared the Saturday night streets, except for the occasional trustee of the Galsworthy estate staggering home from the bank.

I can announce that I have caught London Weekend's red-handed trying to mount an intelligent series. Admittedly it appears each Sunday at noon, which is like making a public apology from solitary confinement, but no matter how ashamed of itself London Weekend may be for having created such a series, the programme's intelligence, or "On Reflection," remains undeniable.

Each week a different commentator discusses a different hero. This week it was Fenton, Brexler,

who, for reasons best known to himself, discussed Sir Edward Marshall Hall for twenty minutes before showing us the great advocate's non-moral profile. But then, "On Reflection" is usually flawed in some way. Recently we had B. S. Johnson reducing Dr Johnson to the proportions of Desperate Dan, but Sir Tyrone Guthrie's talk on Gilbert and Sullivan was more or less perfect. "On Reflection" is the last London spar hunting on the storm-tossed waters which wrecked London Weekend's original aspirations.

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One man and his glass

PETER STONE



Sam Herman, glass artist, in action

Wa had not at Henry Rothchild's Primavera, where Sam Herman first showed his glass four years ago. We both remembered exactly where in the gallery we were standing when we talked, a memory so trivial that it ultimately led Sam to the sagacious conclusion that he would not believe the human race possible were he not a member of it.

Herman was born in Mexico City 35 years ago and has the flat chiselled features associated with central America. He also has a merry twinkle in his eye, a beard, and high shoulders on a shortish body.

He was taken to the States as a boy and served in the USA navy because he thought he would probably be drafted anyhow. He wanted to study, but didn't know what, though he had already made some abstract sculpture in welded steel. At Wisconsin University he got a BA in sociology and in anthropology, but failed in art.

Today, Herman's work in glass is on exhibition at the Victoria and Albert Museum and he is tutor in charge of glass at the Royal College of Art.

He came to England on a Fulbright scholarship six years ago. Before that he worked in the glass department at Wisconsin under Professor Harvey Littleton, who was responsible for destroying two dominant mystiques holding back progress in glass-making. The first was the assumption that glass could be made only by teams of workmen working together. Until Littleton looked at this situation there were anything from two to 15 men engaged on one piece of glass. He made it possible for a man to work on his own.

Sam Herman has 69 pieces of glass in his exhibition, all made last year and all but five or six made entirely by himself. With these few he needed help to move the heavy weight of glass at the end of the blowpipe or punty, as the rod is called, to which the glass is fixed after being blown.

The other mystique which Littleton exploded was that the equipment must be expensive, especially the furnace, which used to cost

£23,000. He found that all but the very highest quality glass could be made with a furnace costing £100 and that a whole studio could be set up for less than £1,000.

Herman's exhibition is not only a triumph for Littleton's ideas; it is a triumph for Sam Herman as an artist. Shown in apollin groups in a black interior designed by Alan Irvine, these glass forms, vases and bowls, each have their own character, their individual patterns of colour, texture and trailing.

There is simplicity and complexity—a bowl of combined yellow and clear glass that is like captured sunshine.

Glass shapes, like pottery shapes, derive however loosely from the shapes used by the Romans 2,000 years ago—bowls, dishes, vases, jugs, glasses and so on.

But traditional shapes are not enough for a creative artist, so Herman sometimes returns to sculpture, his early love, making it of glass and mixed media, the designs being completely original. There are several of these in his show.

He shares the exhibition space with another Jewish craftsman, Gerda Flockingee, who makes experimental jewellery. Born at Innsbruck in 1927, she came to England in 1938 and has created a course in jewellery at the Hornsey College of Art.

Sam knows his glass is good, but thinks it ought to be better. Like life, he says.

Annie's impact

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Scofield the great

DAVID NATHAN

With the very thoroughness of the bureaucracy it satirises, Carl Zuckmayer's The Captain of Kopenick, tells the story of the misfit who cooned a town by donning an officer's uniform.

Not even the light and airy spirit with which Frank Dunlop treats the National Theatre's production of the play at the Old Vic can hurry along its leisurely plot development. But the very slowness carries its built-in compensation—the joy of watching the great

THEATRE

Paul Scofield inhabit the central role, merging into it until the actor is lost under the prison-palace and shabby moustache of a slow-witted, ageing petty thief who discovers the great German law of total obedience to an official uniform.

The scaly hero, Wilhelm Voigt, who really existed in the pre-1914 Germany of Kaiser Bill, is unable to get a permit to work until he has a job and cannot get a job until he has a permit to work. He is buffeted from one place to another, until he has the magnificent audacity to buy a second-hand captain's uniform, commandeer a troop of soldiers, march them into the town hall of Kopenick, place the leading officials under arrest, and demand obedience to an official uniform.

It is a scene of great comic vigour with Scofield revelling in the transition from underdog to top dog without, for one second, stepping out of character for the sake of an easy laugh.

The play was first produced in Germany in 1931 and licensed the Nazis who forced Zuckmayer into exile. John Mortimer's third adaptation retains the touches of mild anti-Semitism which Zuckmayer gave to some of the minor officials, and there are lovely performances by Bill Fraser as the town's burgomaster, and John Moffatt in a number of roles which include a splendid Jewish old-clothes dealer. But it is Scofield who marks the memory indelibly.

Triangular

Ellen, at the Hampstead Theatre Club, is a play about a dramatist who writes a play, and while he is writing it is being acted. Most aspiring young dramatists have written that play, but the majority have torn it up without seeking production.

This apart, the play develops into a serious study of the psychological readjustment between recently married husband and wife, and dialogue and characterisation hold and please the attention.

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CHARLES LANDSTONE

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Dorbin.—A son was born on March 5, 1971, to Susan (née Starr) and Melvyn Dorbin, at 36 Dalketh Grove, Stanmore, (Second grandson for Sadie and Louis Starr; first grandchild for Fay and Joseph Dobkin; a great-grandson for Mrs. Eva Starr and Mr. Harris Dobkin.)

Enoch.—A son (Nicholas Howard) was born on March 5, 1971, to Susan and Melvyn Enoch, at 3 Lanyon Court, Wickford Avenue, N.3. (A brother for Amanda; a grandson for Merie and Manly Ginn and Jimmy Enoch and Mrs. Jenny Ginn; a great-grandson for Mr. and Mrs. S. Mass and Mrs. R. Bediash.)

Fertleman.—A son (Paul Jonathan) was born on Thursday, March 4, 1971, to Rosemary (née Liss) and Lennard Fertleman, at 33 Allondra Avenue, London, N.3. (A brother for Caroline and Susanne.)

Gorham.—A son was born on March 9, 1971, at the Middlesex Hospital, W.1, to Frances (née Starr) and Len Lewis, of 18 Oakleigh Gardens, Edgware, (A brother for David; first grandson for Sadie and Louis Starr; second grandson for Sadie and Hyman Lewis; another great-grandchild for Mrs. Eva Starr.)

Marx.—A daughter (Laura Abigail) was born on Wednesday, March 3, 1971, at Queen Mary's Maternity Hospital, in Barbara (née Narian) and Eric Marx, of 88 Grampian Gardens, Hadden Way, N.W.2. (A sister for Gary; first grandchild for Clara Norton, of Swiss Cottage.)

Medway.—A daughter (Victoria) was born on March 3, 1971, to Kathy and Terry Medway, of 51 Westview Drive, Woodford Green, Essex. (First grandchild for Anita and Bert Medway; another grandchild for Lee and Harry Rockman; another great-grandchild for Mrs. S. Rabin.)

Minkoff.—A son (Nicholas) was born on February 24, 1971, to Diane (née Krausz) and Henry Minkoff, at 86 Waltham Park, Edgware, Middlesex. (First grandchild for Mr. and Mrs. George Krausz; third grandchild for Mr. and Mrs. Henry Minkoff.)

Oshen.—A daughter (Helen Angela) was born on March 5, 1971, to Melvyn (née Sundgrunde) and Malvin Oshen, of 30 Wynchgate, Southgate, (First grandchild for Mr. and Mrs. Sam Sundgrunde; fourth grandchild for Mr. and Mrs. Alex Oshen; first great-grandchild for Mr. and Mrs. T. Perkins.)

Press.—A son (Jason René) was born on March 1, 1971, to Susan (née Sagal) and Harold, of 38 Lavina Court, The Avenue, Wembley Park, Middlesex. (First grandchild for Alyce Sagal; fourth grandson for Lily and Ilon Press; first great-grandchild for Nala and Henry Sagal.)

Rosenberg.—A son (Julian Marc) was born on March 3, 1971, at St. Theresa's Hospital, Wembley, in Patricia (née Bilmes) and Anthony Rosenberg, of "High Trees," Green Lane, Stanmore, Middlesex. (A brother for Ashley James.)

Roseng.—A son (Paul) was born on Friday, March 5, 1971, to Jacqueline (née Bush) and John Roseng, of The Rushes, 81 North End, Maudslayi, Raydon, Hert. (First grandson for Walter and Senia Roseng and Alfred and Hannah Bush.)

Rosenthal.—A daughter (Abigail Jane) was born on Sunday, March 7, 1971, to Linda (née Wing) and St. Mary's Hospital, in Barbara (née Marks) and Neil Rosenthal, of 74 Aubrey Gate, Hyde Park, London, W.2. (First grandchild for Rana and Benny Marks and Sadie and Harry Rosenthal.)

Ross.—A son (Daniel David) was born on March 3, 1971, at the Westminster Hospital, B.W.1, in Mira (née Haffel) and Stephen Ross, of 22a Elm Tree Road, N.W.6. (A brother for Sharon.)

Saville.—A son (Marion Oliver) was born on March 8, 1971, at St. Andrew's Hospital, Dallas Hill Lane, 35 Langdon Avenue, N.20. (First grandchild for Jack and Cecilia Spiegol, of Buenos Aires, and Mark and Lily Saville, of Hampstead.)

Solapur.—A son was born on March 7, 1971, to a Cherry (née Samers) and Steve Sharpe, of 3 Bushview, Leytonstone. (A grandson for Alton and Bobbie Sharpe; another great-grandchild for Mrs. S. Rabin.)

Schweitzer.—A son (Julian) was born on March 3, 1971, at St. George's Hospital, S.W.1, to Susan (née Coleman) and Allan Schweitzer. (A brother for Vicki; second grandchild for Mr. and Mrs. S. Coleman; fourth grandchild for Mr. and Mrs. L. Levy; third great-grandchild for Mrs. R. Federbaum.)

Strick.—A daughter (Anna Jacqueline) was born on March 5, 1971, to Marilyn (née Wisberg) and Eric Strick, of 1 Doughton Way, Gabeiro, Liverpool 25.

Wenstern.—A son (Simon Rabin) was born on March 8, 1971, at St. George's Hospital, S.W.1, to Angela (née Lindsay) and David Wenstern, of 20 Middleway, London, N.W.11.

BARNITZVAIS

Announcement.—Stephen Edmund, second son of Sylvia and Harold, of 20 Abbey Road, St. John's Wood, N.W.8, brother of Philip, grandson of Mrs. Esther Edgar and Sadie and Isaac Arbach, will read a portion of the law at the West London Synagogue, on Saturday, March 13, 1971.

Diamond.—Jonathan David, elder son of Maurine and Barry Diamond, of 7 Greys Park, Wandsworth, grandson of Lily and the late Glibby Levy and Sarah, and the late Menachem Diamond, will read a portion of the law at the West London Synagogue, on Saturday, March 13, 1971.

Chiliss.—Jonathan, third son of Paulina and Charles Chiliss, of Couder, Boreford Park, Sunderland, will read the Sidra, Maftir and Haftara at the Bath Hebrew Congregation, on Saturday, March 13, 1971.

Milman.—Malcolm Bernard, son of Billy and Harvey Milman, of 20 Marryat Road, Wembley, S.W.10, grandson of Mrs. Fanny Milman and Mrs. Leah Milman, will read Maftir and Haftara at the West London Synagogue, on Saturday, March 13, 1971.

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Yemini artist



I hope that Itamar Slani's exhibition of paintings, at the Bramant Galleries next week—it will be opened by the Israeli Ambassador, Mr. Michael Comay, on Tuesday—will prove an outstanding success. For Mr. Slani has encountered more than the normal number of obstacles in becoming an internationally known artist. He was born in Yemen, went to Israel as a Youth Aliya ward and was educated at a children's village, before attracting the attention of several Israeli painters, who agreed to

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Blue ribbon

The colourful Radziner Rebbe, Rabbi Engard, spent a few days in London this week on his way back to the United States from Israel. He stopped over in London to see his cousin, Rabbi B. Finkelstein, and there were some lively scenes as Chasidim congregated. It doubt whether there is a more boppy group anywhere than when Chasidim meet, especially if a rebbe is among them.

The Radziner Rebbe told me that he noticed in Israel that an increasing number of Israelis are now wearing the Techelet and blue ribbon on their tallit and tallit. The Bible demands that such a blue ribbon be worn, but the art of making it was lost. It was a Radziner Rebbe who, at the beginning of the century, travelled through the Mediterranean countries in search of the secret—and found it in the chazaron fish.

This fish has been discovered in the waters near Haifa and the Israelis can thus make their own blue ribbons—with a still secret method. But the Radziner Rebbe wants the blue ribbon used more extensively throughout the Jewish world—and I understand much of his discussion with Rabbi Finkelstein centred on this point. Why not make the rabbi really happy?

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HONEYMOONSKITCHENS- THE WORLD IS YOURS

TODAY'S BRIDES ARE MORE fortunate than their parents who were probably married just before or during the Second World War or in the difficult days soon after hostilities ended.

Couples planning marriage today have no such problems. All they have to decide is where to go on honeymoon. If they—or their parents—have ample funds they have most of the world to choose from. And if they haven't they can still take their pick of European resorts available through inexpensive tours, go cruising, or plump for one of the many attractive hotels in this country.

Winter newly-weds wanting a warm-weather honeymoon have to go south. Mediterranean islands like Mallorca, Cyprus, Sardinia, Corfu and Majorca have comparatively short, mild winters and are suitable for those not seeking blazing winter sunshine. By next winter new bargain-price packages will put Majorca and other south European resorts well within reach of the young couple on a tight budget.

But the nearest areas for fairly certain winter sun-tanning weather are the Canaries and Israel. Elath, Israel's Red Sea resort, has a superb winter climate and one can now also sunbathe the year round at Sharm el Sheikh on the southern tip of the Sinai Peninsula. You can get there in just over six hours from Heathrow!

Affluent honeymooners might think of cruising or fly/cruising into winter sunshine and sailing at exotic Caribbean ports. Or they might book an inclusive tour to Florida, South Africa, Australia, the Bahamas or the West Indies.

Honeymooners naturally want privacy and, if they haven't had much travel experience, may think they can best achieve this by booking independently instead of buying on inclusive tour, even though they will be paying more for the same holiday. But travelling on a "package" doesn't mean your privacy will be invaded, that you will have to spend your time with a group. All it ensures is that you get your flight and hotel at the lowest rates.

Some travel agents specialise in honeymoon arrangements and advise on matters like Monday travel (few will want to travel on Sunday night flights after what is inevitably an exhausting wedding day). Don't be coy about letting the agent know you are going on honeymoon. You may find flowers and the odd bottle of champagne in your hotel room!

For many the question of kosher will be important. If there is no Jewish hotel in the area you select for your honeymoon don't despair. Any good hotel will arrange an excellent fish or vegetarian cuisine.

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particularly suitable for honeymooners.

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Your kitchen must come top of the list after the marriage—ed, for psychologists bear out a theory that many a nervous, baggy wife is the direct result of a miserable environment.

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Floors come first, not last—and you should definitely get the best you can afford. Cheap linoleum means hours of fruitless scrubbing; a good vinyl floor not only saves energy but, by wearing longer, pays for itself over and over again.

You can't have a kitchen without a cooker; nor, some say, without fridges, freezers, washing machines, dishwashers and mixers. Inexperienced brides tend to regard the first three items as essentials, the last two as frivolous luxuries. Not so, by any means.

You can manage without a fridge, providing you always eat fresh food, but with prices as low as they are, it's a good idea to have one. Remember, however, you don't need a large fridge—one to fit a couple's requirements costs only a third of the price of a family model. The difference could buy you a dishwasher!

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Choice of cookers is obviously governed by price. But whatever your limits, do check for eye-level grill, plate-warming rack and easy-access oven, all of which will make your life a whole lot easier.

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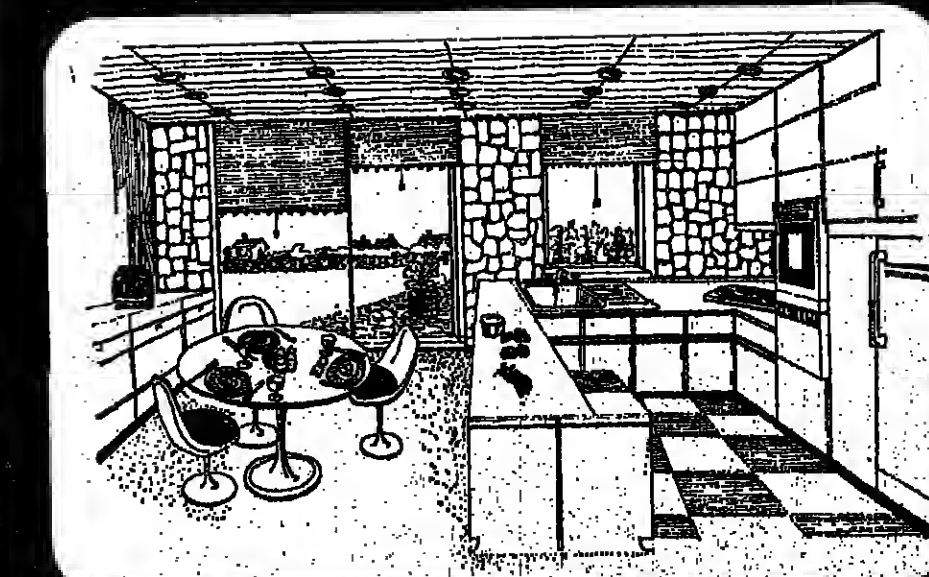
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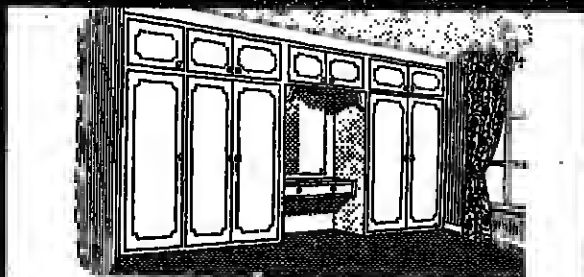
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The name indicated a band of hopelessly out-of-date fuddy-duddies, who would be preoccupied with religious laws and recipes for cholent and would not even recognise modern pre-marriage difficulties such as sexual and emotional adjustment, coping with the in-laws and successfully balancing a modest budget.

But I was wrong; the council do understand these worries—and many more besides. And they are concerned, even for those renegades who don't go to shool and don't even keep kosher—the fact that they're about to enter Jewish marriage is qualification enough for them. No problem is too great—or too small—for them to look at.

Under the guidance of educationist Margaret Fagan, they work away with a vast fund of imagination, the minimum of cash and a truly dedicated team of experts—doctors, counsellors, psychiatrists, accountants, rabbinical consultants and lawyers—all of whom give their services completely free. There is even a hypnotherapist.

Much depends on the council's permanent staff, of course—and these are characterised by a real warmth, a surprising broad-mindedness and an ever-present sense of humour, qualities which more than anything else must be responsible for the huge success of the organisation.

What success? A positive triumph, in my opinion, that in this apathetic day they manage to draw hundreds of young couples into the synagogues for marriage preparation courses.

Young trendies who come to the first session purely out of curiosity, and found it so immensely practical and helpful, decided to come again—and again.

Mrs Fagan, who prefers to talk in an easy-chair by the fire than to make pronouncements from behind her large office desk, is vitally concerned with marriage in every aspect, all the more so because the Jewish divorce rate is zooming alarmingly.

Prevention is just as important as cure, in her opinion, and she believes that the marriage preparation course, which runs continually in synagogues all over London and Manchester,



The religious and the irreligious come together at J.M.E.C. (left)

are doing most to effect that prevention. The courses cover everything from wedding-night worries to kitchen décor, from the marriage ceremony itself to the financial practicalities of managing a home. Every income-bracket is catered for.

The counsellors running the course are experienced, practical men and women, who believe in talking to, not at, their audiences; thus every session turns into a useful, informal discussion group and couples are encouraged to bring their special worries out into the open.

Boys come to the talks as readily as their fiancées, I discovered—a fact which certainly came as surprise number three. "There are lots of things they want to discuss on their own," explained Mrs Fagan; "questions about money and mortgages, and how to manage a budget."

"It's amazing how little many of them know, even the most worldly of them. They live at home and they know nothing about the price of meat."

"We run whatever talks they want, while the girls are concerned with cookery, or home décor, or whatever. Of course, the girls want to talk about money and mortgages and their salaries, too."

The courses, important as they are, form only a small part of the council's work. Individual marriage counselling is another very important function, whether it is an active rescue operation of "morrige-on-the-rocks" or simply helping a young engaged girl over a bout of "jre-marhol tenelon."

"This tenelon is a real, and increasing, symptom, which should not be laughed at or ignored," Mrs Fagan points out. "We got endless cases of boys and girls suddenly exploding just weeks before the wedding day and deciding they just can't

go through with it after all."

Very often, the tension caused by pressure—pressure from parents, in many cases over the guest lists and plans, over difficulties with in-laws, and over all sorts of minor problems which should have been heaped at couple's heads in the first place—can be relieved by a talk to the council.

"We can talk to the parents, too. They are a surprisingly helpful. When they come down to it, all they really want is their children's happiness."

Despite the counselling and time-consuming activities, such as the publication of a highly successful glossy magazine, "Jehuda," and a brides' course for which there is a long waiting list, Mrs Fagan feels that the council could do more.

"It's the schools we've got to hit. We already hit teenagers at the Jewish centre, but we need to get them when they are younger—say 12 or 13—so the first questions about relationships are forming in their minds. We hope to start at Jewish schools in autumn."

"The other thing we've got to do is to start a marriage bureau—strictly profit-making, of course. We have so many and so many hands, so many people who would like the means to help, but we haven't the means to help. We need a capital sum to help us do it."

"Like everyone else these days, we're struggling constantly to make ends meet. As by means of marriage, it is an over-diversifying community together."

SUSAN DAVIDSON

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SOCIALIST PROTESTERS

The siege of Duke's Place

ST. PAUL'S Cathedral defended against Jewish protest marchers. Jews chased out of the Duke's Place Synagogue by police with truncheons. It all sounds highly unlikely, but it happened less than 80 years ago, and is recorded in a fascinating collection of letters and newspaper cuttings sold by auction at Phillips Son & Nesl last week.

The documents were amassed over a period of five years by one Louis Lyons, militant leader of the Jewish Unemployed Committee, which at that time represented over 10,000 out-of-work and destitute East End Jews.

The first document, dated March, 1890, is an advertisement for a protest march of "Jewish unemployed and sweaters' victims" to the Great Synagogue, where the then Chief Rabbi occupied his pulpit. To force the Chief Rabbi's hand the handbill announced that he would preach a Sabbath sermon on swastika labour and the unemployed on March 15.

That Saturday a procession of some 300 to 400 unemployed set out from Berners Street behind a German brass band which played the "Marseillaise" and other revolutionary hymns. When they reached the synagogue they were turned away by a strong cordon of police. Before dispersing, the demonstrators passed a resolution condemning the Chief Rabbi and "certain members of the Jewish community" who "indulged in labour sweating" and ending with a call for the overthrow of capitalism.

Meanwhile, inside the besieged synagogue the service proceeded as usual. The sermon delivered by the Rev I. S. Meisels was mainly devoted to combating conversionism in the East End.

PAMELA MELNIKOFF describes the bitter clash between Jewish socialists and leaders of the Great Synagogue in the East End of London some eighty years ago.

To the protesters outside he gave short shrift:

"Are they, perhaps, the first, or the only people on earth who are not doing well who seek work and cannot get it, who find it hard, perhaps very hard, to maintain themselves, their wives and children? Can we, as it were, or anyone to go through life without knowing of the bitter as well as of its sweet?"

The words were not calculated to endear the "Establishment" to the unemployed or to the sweating Jewish labour, while any sympathy among the Orthodox for this protesters was lost by the blatant desecration of the Sabbath. Later in the afternoon fighting broke out outside the workers' headquarters in Berners Street. Several persons were injured and arrests were made.

Three years later Lyons proposed to hold a three-day barefoot march of Jewish unemployed. He further called on the Chief Rabbi to put pressure on Jewish employers by reading out their names in synagogue, and to allow union leaders to preach Labour sermons from the pulpits.

That month Dr Adler received a deputation from the Unemployed Committee, addressing them as "fellow working men"—since, as he jocularly and somewhat tactlessly pointed out, he worked longer hours than any of them. He urged them to call off the barefoot march, since

it would only endanger their health and expose them to ridicule.

He further added that the numbers of the unemployed were greatly exaggerated; that Jewish welfare and charitable institutions existed to help them; that he could not publicly denounce Jewish employers, and that no lay person was permitted to preach from a synagogue pulpit. The deputation withdrew muttering.

This event was widely publicised in both the Jewish and the national press. The Jewish Chronicle, while calling for more humanity and less officialdom in dealing with the poor, commended Dr Adler's firmness, adding: "The truth is that whatever efforts are made by the working classes to improve their condition ought to be made on a purely unsectarian basis. Special interference by Jews for Jews cannot be too strongly deprecated."

"The Jewish World was more concerned with the altruistic tendencies of the 'professional Jewish agitator,' whose influence, it added, was a growing force in the East End."

"While the recognised teachers in Jewry have always taught the fear of God and the supremacy of the law of the land, the new leaders of labouring Israel openly preach atheism and anarchy. Could this have occurred if our spiritual agencies in the East End had been equal to their duties? Obviously not."

The Chief Rabbi was to know little peace. That same month he received a demand from the committee that he call a conference of Jewish ministers and trade union leaders in discussion methods of dealing with unemployment.

Louis Lyons responded by calling a mass meeting of unemployed on Tower Hill, where

PERSONAL OPINION

of Elz Chaim and the Bachad Fellowship and, as he is uncertain in which capacity he functions at any one particular time, if not all three at once, he has kept out of the whole affair. The matter therefore rests with Dr Homa, and he is unlikely to rest until there is a Machzike Hadash in Golders Green and pleasant land. And so in the meantime there is no MH, no Elz Chaim and no Youth Club, while the weeds grow high in Bridge Lane.

I can see two possible solutions to the impasse: either the synagogue in Brick Lane will collapse of its own accord and release capital for the Brick Lane site or Dr Homa will come to his senses. I can see the building collapsing first.

The Kreuz mochor, which has been in use in our shool since they first instituted Independence Day services five or six years ago, has now been proscribed as non-kosher.

Just in time too. If it had remained in use another year or so it would have become established as a tradition, and tradition in Judaism, no matter how irregular in origin, is as good as law.

But what has happened to all those prayers which my fellow congregants and I offered up over all those years? Are they to be considered null and void, or worse were we, in our innocent zeal, guilty of an act of desecration, to wit, uttering a counterfeit Many?

To guard against any such similar mishap I would suggest that in future all kosher machzorim carry the halachic of Machzike Hadash, namely a chain of points, plus the imprimatur of the Ecclesiastical Authorities.

BEN AZAI



The interior of the Great Synagogue (circa 1890) and its Chief Rabbi, Dr Hermann Adler, who was the target for vigorous attacks by Jewish socialist activists at the end of the nineteenth century

he accused the rich Jews of the community of ignoring and sneering at their poor brethren, called on the Jewish poor to refuse to pay their rents, and alleged that they were being forced to sell their children for bread. Reporting the demonstration, some of the national press seized the opportunity to call for a halt to further Jewish immigration.

In January, 1894, Mr Lyons led a deputation of unemployed to the offices of the Jewish Board of Guardians, where they were refused an immediate distribution of funds. Later that month, a large number of unemployed Jews entered the Duke's Place Synagogue and asked to see the Chief Rabbi, but were evicted by police with truncheons.

The Evening News commented: "It is impossible to evade the sensation of indignation and disgust, when we read of a mob of foreign Jews creating a riot in their own synagogue because their Chief Rabbi cannot provide

them with food or work. It is bad enough having these people coming here to undersell our own workers."

Further demonstrations followed, and soon the London police force had to be specially augmented. Fruitless meetings were held with the Board of Guardians, who pointed out that their purpose was to relieve suffering, not to provide work. The "JC" appealed for a more scientific approach to industrial problems.

The climax came in February, when it was rumoured that a scheduled mass meeting of Jewish unemployed in Trafalgar Square was to end with the seizure of St. Paul's Cathedral. A police force was sent to defend the cathedral, and tourists found their pilgrimages disrupted, but—as the press later reported with some amusement—"how the Hebrews" turned up.

At this exciting point in the story, the collection of documents abruptly ends.

ASK THE RABBI

What are the earliest and latest times one can recite the shachrit, mincha and maariv prayers (a) on weekdays (b) on Shabbat and festivals?

The times of the daily prayers are recorded in the Mishna (Berachot 4, 1) and there has been much subsequent discussion on the subject. (Many of the Chasidim, for example, although otherwise strictly observant Jews, disregarded the rules concerning the times of prayer because of their stress on prolonged preparation before the prayers begin).

As recorded in the Shulchan Aruch the following are the times of the prayers: shachrit can be recited from the time the first streaks of dawn appear (though ideally, it should not be recited before sunrise) until a third of the day. (If it has not been recited by then it can still be recited until half the day, but this is considered very inadequate.)

Mincha can be recited from half past twelve until nightfall but ideally should be recited from two and a half hours to an hour and a quarter before nightfall in a twelve-hour day (i.e. the day is divided into twelve equal portions each of which is treated as an "hour").

Maariv can be recited from an hour and a quarter of a twelve-hour day (or a quarter of a twelve-hour day) before nightfall until sunrise. There is a solitary view that Maariv can be recited even earlier, but this is not generally accepted.

There is no difference in these times between weekdays and Shabbat and festivals, though on the latter it is mainly

recited before nightfall, when the Sabbath and the festivals are coming to an end, work is forbidden, of course, until nightfall.

What is the origin and significance of the custom known as Shalom Zachor, the first Friday night celebration of the birth of a male child before the eighth day and the eating on that occasion of bobelech, round buns?

The Talmud (Baba Kama 80a) refers to a feast of shavua habena (the week of the son). The fifteenth-century German authority, R. Israel Isserlein, identifies this with the custom in his day of celebrating the Shalom Zachor (Terumat HaDehen, 289).

Why is it called Shalom Zachor? Two reasons are given. One is that zachor means "Remember" (the Sabbath day), i.e. a party is held on the Sabbath before the birth so that the mitzva of the Sabbath be added to that of the brit and all will be well (Shalom). The second reason states that the word should be read as zachor, a male, in which case there is no direct connection with the Sabbath but the party is held on Friday night simply because this is a convenient time since people are then at home.

The sources do not refer to the eating of bobelech but to lentils. The somewhat curious reason given for the custom is that lentils are eaten in a house of mourning. It is said that the soul of the infant mourning in that it has been compelled to come from the world of truth into this world of error.

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and the Costa Brava costs only £1. In the Costa del Sol and Capri £2. Holidaymakers have to pay an additional 60p holiday insurance fee and airport taxes. All hotels, except that at Capri, have swimming-pools.

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Adriatic tours

Kosher holidays along Italy's Adriatic coast, now big business, were pioneered by the late Ralph Lawrence. His widow, Mrs Esther Lawrence, now with Fryer Travel, is following in his footsteps. She tells me that her company has a large allocation of rooms at all kosher hotels and that she will be in Italy during the kosher house-keeping periods to attend to clients' needs.

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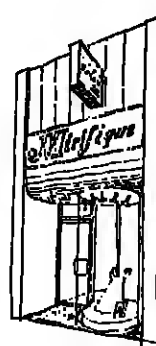
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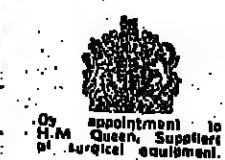
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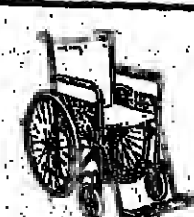
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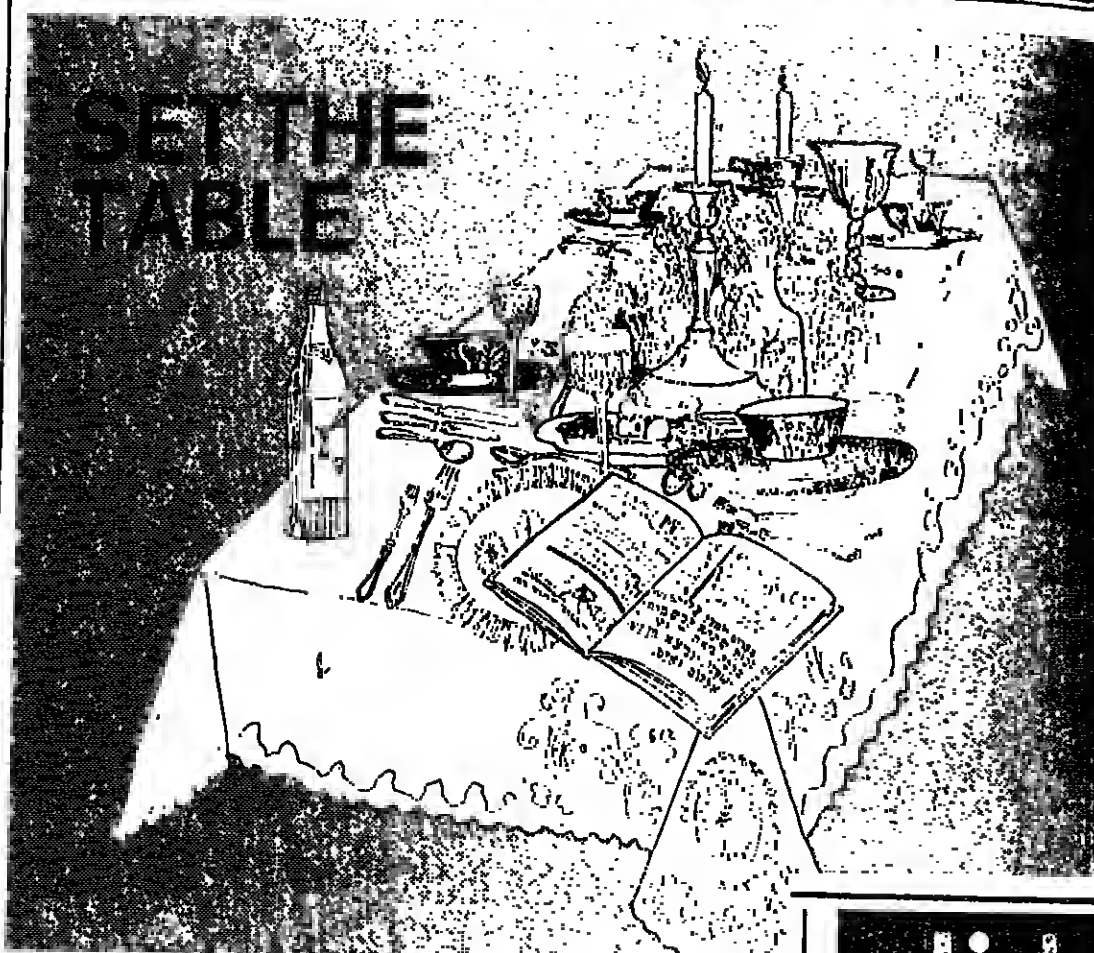
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BOOK BY IRENE MARSLAND

This is the time, now, immediately after Purim, when most of us are beginning to think of Pesach, when we actually prepare the first stages, not only the spring cleaning routine, but the actual stocktaking. Newly-weds in particular may want to supplement their wedding presents with an extra dinner service or special Pesach cutlery, so we went around on a shopping project in order to offer a few suggestions. Our artist's impression of the Seder table includes cutlery from Maples' Chippendale Royal York design in silver or silver plate; Windsor lacy tablecloth from Marshall and Snelgrove, 70 ins. x 144 ins., £12.00; Thomas Webb Crystal (Normandy range) from Maples, £3.25 the wine glass; and the goblet, in silver plate, £2.85; Candelsticks in silver plate from Selfridges, £8.50. Bone china is Wedgwood's new Conlour "Harlech" design, gold and green, 25-piece dinner set for six, £185.30. At Wedgwood's Wigmore Street showroom.

Israel's national fish

"The only fresh fish is the one you catch yourself" might well be the Israeli housewife's maxim, because, although she may not do her own fishing, she evidently likes to see her supper olive.

Mrs Aviv Turel, wife of El Al's London director, was giving on account of the eating habits of Israeli households at an Alia Club meeting, at which she shared a platform with Mrs Ellisheva Yaffe, wife of the Commercial Counsellor of the Israel Embassy, and Mr Moshe Shamir, director of the JNF Alia department.

Carp was the favourite, almost the national fish in Israel, and this was the fish which the customer chose alive on the fish-monger's slab.

"Otherwise she would not consider it fresh," said Mrs Turel.

There was, of course, other fish, nattered in the Atlantic and frozen, but the Israeli housewife seemed to have a resistance to all but the carp.

As for the homely kipper, this had not yet acquired Israeli citizenship. Here was an idea, suggested Mrs Turel, for anyone interested in starting a new industry.

Mrs Yaffe talked about shopping in Israel (supermarkets, of course) but also the small family grocer "at the corner of the street."

Chairman Moshe Shamir helped answer some of the more tricky questions from the audience, whom he told incidentally

to exercise self-control (ill the end of the meeting before the "tasting" of the tantalising delicacies laid out before them on the long trestle tables. Pavlov, I feel, would have taken notes on this audience's reactions.

Beautiful news

Timely new hair treatment comes from the famous Wella people in the form of a lomon cream rinse, tried and approved by an oily-haired type in this office. The result seemed so good and silky that one must recommend it for this type of hair particularly. The rinse is applied after the wash and left for five minutes before rinsing out. In the shops now for 38p a bottle.

Mini sprinkle

A new small garden eprinkler that does a surprisingly big job has just been introduced by Tudor Accessories and can be seen now in good hardware shops and gardening centres. It is called the Squarespray and although not much bigger than a car radio, it provides a spray of over 2,000 sq. ft. under normal water pressure. Quite a garden ornament, this pretty oblong item is in non-corrosive plastic in gay colours, adjusts by a valve and independent tank system, two knurled knobs to direct the spray and costs £2.50.

FAIR LADIES

It occurs like Pesach once a year and like Pesach it never stales by repetition. This is Wizo's two-day Spring Fair. At the Empire Rooms in Tottenham Court Road the opening day saw the proverbial queues, right down the street they were, basket-laden women of all creeds and colours, so one wondered where they had heard about the event and if they knew what it was all for. There was the familiar doorman waiting anxiously for the starting pistol because he couldn't control the crowds much longer.

And down in the teeming "market place" the opening ceremony: Mrs Neville Blood, Mrs Harriet Snowman, Mrs Anne Posnanski, hurrying through their speeches so that the selling could begin.

They were in business, dozens of eager Wizo salesladies, and again the wonder was how they could take the pace.

I have known these Wizo Fair ladies remain courteous and enthusiastic and keen throughout the long, exhausting sale... like the one, who at the end of the day, tired, dishevelled, and scarcely able to stand, said on leaving to an organiser: "Thank you for a lovely day."

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Some of the workers at the Israel food stall

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Method

Put the vinegar, egg and seasonings into the blender and blend for half a minute at high speed. Add 4 tablespoons of the oil and blend for a further half-minute, then pour the remainder in steadily through the hole in the lid, blending all the time.

If this mixture is too thick for your liking, add a dessertspoon of boiling water and blend well. This makes half a pint of mayonnaise, which should be stored in an air-tight container at the bottom of the refrigerator.

GREEN MAYONNAISE

This is a beautiful pale green mayonnaise which is detectable with salmon. Simply add 1 tablespoon each of roughly cut chives and parsley and half a clove of garlic (or a pinch of garlic salt) when you add the egg and seasonings. The blender will chop the herbs to a pulp.

MUSTARD MAYONNAISE

This is delicious with cold fried fish, or as a dip for "goujons" of fish.

Note. The additional ingredients can be added as suggested when the mayonnaise is made, or can be finely chopped and added to the already prepared plain version.

Add to the egg and other seasonings, 2 bulbs of spring onion, a tablespoon coarsely cut parsley (no stalks), 1 teaspoon French mustard (in addition to the powdered mustard) and 2 teaspoons lemon juice.

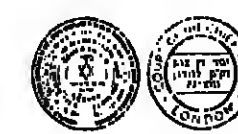
GREEN GODDESS DRESSING

This can be used to top a lettuce salad, or to blend with boiled salmon, or as a dressing for hard-boiled eggs. Add 6 finely chopped anchovy fillets, 2 tablespoons each of chopped spring onions and chives, 2 tablespoons parsley, 2 tablespoons each of lemon juice and single or soured cream.

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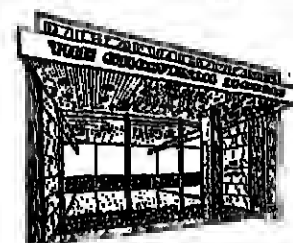
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Mr. H. Josephs, of the Jewish Marriage Education Council, led a discussion with members of the Beth Brith Enlugh and District Young Adults Lodge.

Pupils of the Yevnoh Primary School visited the demonstration kitchen at the centre of the Jewish Marriage Education Council, 529B Finchley Road, NW3, for a talk on kashrut, Shabbat and festivals. The talk was augmented by audio-visual aids. The demonstrator was Mrs. M. Rotenberg.

Professor Sir Ludwig Guttmann, founder and former director of the National Spinal Injuries Centre, Stoke Mandeville Hospital, Aylesbury, addressed the annual evening meeting of the League of Jewish Women, at Woburn House, Enslin. The League's president, Mrs. Phoebe White, was in the chair. A film on the paraplegic games in Israel was shown.

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Mr Barnett Hurwitz

The joint JPA and Blackpool and St. Anne's Jewish community, set the target of £26,000, which was achieved last week when Mr. Barnett Harris Hurwitz, one of the best-known and most admired members of the Blackpool community, died on Tuesday at the age of 80.

Mr. Hurwitz was an Orthodox leader who guided the Blackpool Jewish community and ably represented it in the wider Jewish world. For 38 years he was president of the congregation, and was actively associated with the whole of the Jewish community in the city.

He founded the Charitable Trust Gershom Avner, and since its inception was its president; he helped to revive the Ex-Administrative Association and remained its president; he founded the local branch of the TAC, of which he was president and became national vice-president. He was one of the original members of the Chief Rabbi's Advisory Council.

One aspect of Mr. Hurwitz's life of which he was very proud was his work for the victims of Nazism. He sponsored 110 refugees who came to Britain from Germany. To

gether with the Central British Fund he helped to negotiate for the Millisio Farm in County Down, where many refugees found a new home.

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MR ALEX EPSTEIN

Mr. Alex Epstein, who worked as an official for the Mandatory Government in Palestine, died in Tel Aviv at the age of 85.

Born in Liverpool, Mr. Epstein arrived in Palestine in 1919. From 1923 to 1945 he served as the Tel Aviv representative of the British District Commissioner. For his services he was made an MBE.

As honorary secretary of the Israel and British Commonwealth Association Mr. Epstein did much to cement cultural and educational relations between Israel and Commonwealth countries making several return visits to Britain to enlist the interest of people here.

Mr. Epstein is survived by his Palestine-born widow and a daughter.

Alex Epstein remained in the end a staunch upholder of British-Israeli friendship, writes Lord Segal. His death removes one of the few remaining links with the early days of the British Mandate.

His passing will be very widely mourned, especially by his many friends in Israel and by members of the Anglo-Israel Association and Zionist circles in this country.

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MR EDWARD GELBER

Mr. Edward E. Gelber, a former president of the Canadian Zionist Organisation and deputy chairman of the governors of the Hebrew University, died in Jerusalem last week at the age of 87.

Born in Toronto and educated at American and Canadian universities, Mr. Gelber was also ordained as a rabbi at the Jewish Theological Seminary in New York. In 1934 he was admitted to the Ontario Bar and, together with his professional career, engaged in a lifetime of wide and varied Jewish communal activity.

He settled in Israel in 1954, and continued to associate himself with many educational and cultural organisations, as well as with international bodies engaged in fundraising for Israel.

Mr. Gelber is survived by his widow, two daughters and a son.

MR BARNEY BALABAN

Mr. Barney Balaban, chairman of Paramount Pictures Corporation, died on Sunday in Connecticut at the age of 84.

Balaban was born in Chicago's West Side, a son of Russian Jewish immigrants. From very small beginnings, when he hired a tiny theatre to show one-reel films, he and his brother built up a chain of 125 theatres. Paramount bought control of the chain in 1929 keeping the Balabans as managers.

Bond drives for Israel was one of many public causes which Mr. Balaban supported. He is survived by his widow, a daughter and a son.

DR LEON ALGAZI

Composer of Jewish religious music, Dr. Leon Algaiz, died in Paris last week at the age of 81.

Born in Bessarabia, Algaiz qualified as a rabbi in Paris. He later became secretary of the French Consistory and chief of choral at the Central Temple. He was professor of music at the Paris School of Choral Music and was one of the founders of the Jewish-Christian Friendship Association.

He was also professor of chazzanut at the French Jewish Seminary. Since the mid-30s he broadcast regularly on the Jewish weekly programme on French State Radio, "Ecoule Israel."

The funeral, which was in Jerusalem last week, was attended by thousands of Chasidim.

MEMORIAL SERVICE

Mr Lavy Bukstinsky

tributes to the late Mr. Lavy Bukstinsky, who was director of the Joint Palestine Appeal and general secretary of the Zionist Federation, were paid at a memorial meeting held last week at Woburn House, London.

The Israeli Embassy was represented by Mr. R. Sirm (consul-general) and Mr. Arl Avner (press counsellor). Mr. Michael Sacher, chairman of the JPA, presided.

Lord Janner spoke of Mr. Bukstinsky's great capacity for leadership and said he had helped to make the Jewish people of this country realise in their Zionism to which he was completely devoted and dedicated.

"His life is an integral part of Anglo-Jewish history and of world Zionism," said Dr. S. Levenberg, representative of the Jewish Agency in this country. He was always the power behind the scenes, and he was a brilliant organiser with a genius for detail.

"One of the most eminent and dedicated sons of our community," was said by Mr. Michael Sacher, president of the Board of Deputies, described Mr. Bukstinsky. He had left with them an imperishable memory of a true son of Israel and of the Jewish people, he said.

Mr. Jacob Halevy, chairman of the British section of the World Jewish Congress, recounted his close personal relationships with Mr. Bukstinsky. He was a first-rate general and they had lost a great man, he said.

The El Molé Baruchim was recited by Rabbi M. Unterman.

MR VICTOR FRIEDMANN

Mr. Victor Friedmann, a noted journalist, died last Friday while covering the UN Human Rights Commission in Geneva.

Arrested in 1951 in Prague on trumped-up "espionage" charges, Friedmann spent eight years in a Czechoslovakian prison and munitions mines. He recovered slowly after 1959 in his native Geneva, became UN correspondent of the Journal de Geneve and the Gazette de Lausanne. He had studied at the London School of Economics.

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